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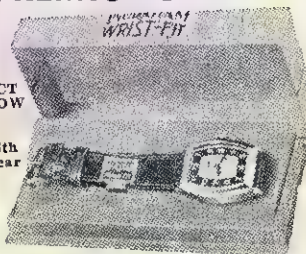
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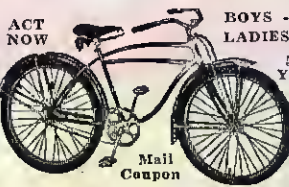
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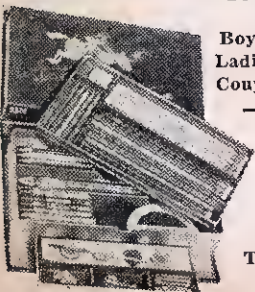


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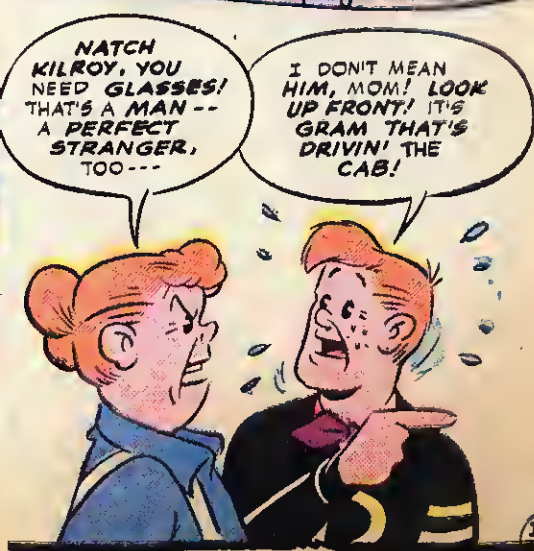
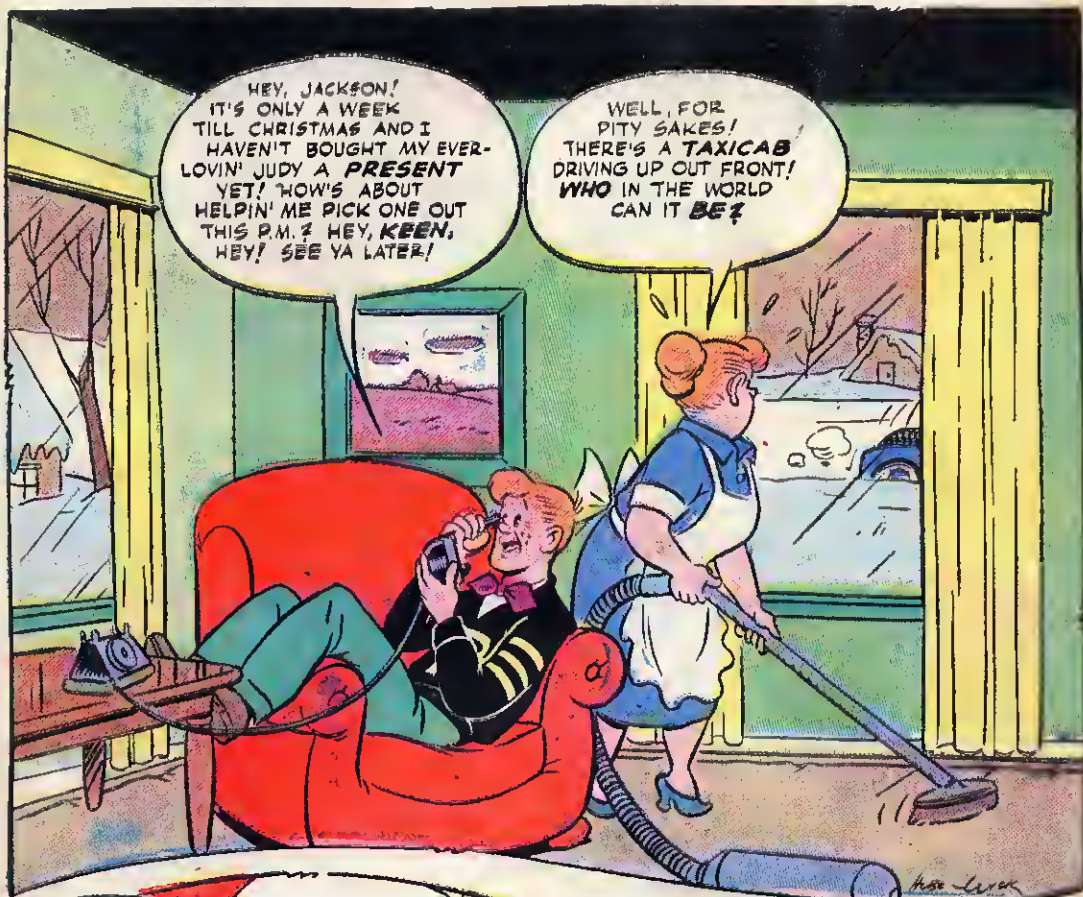
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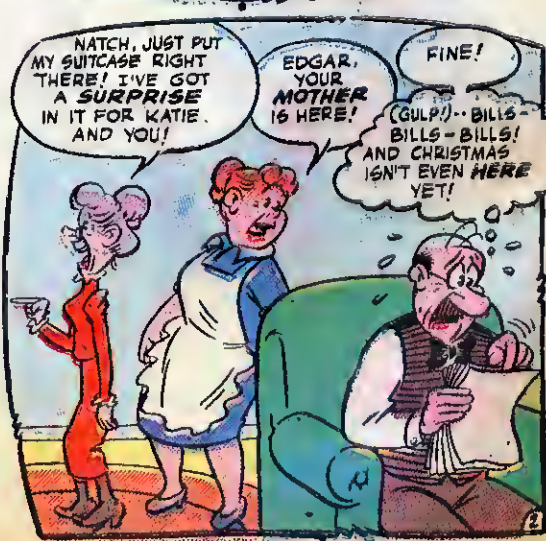
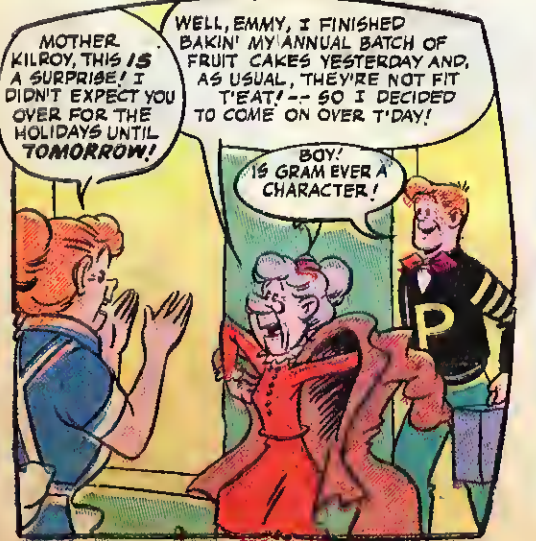
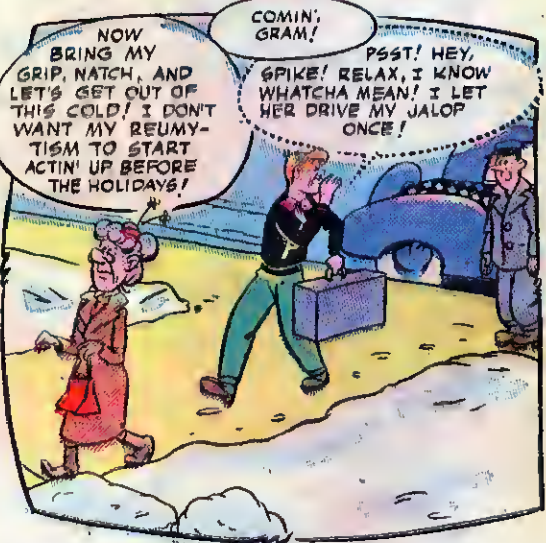
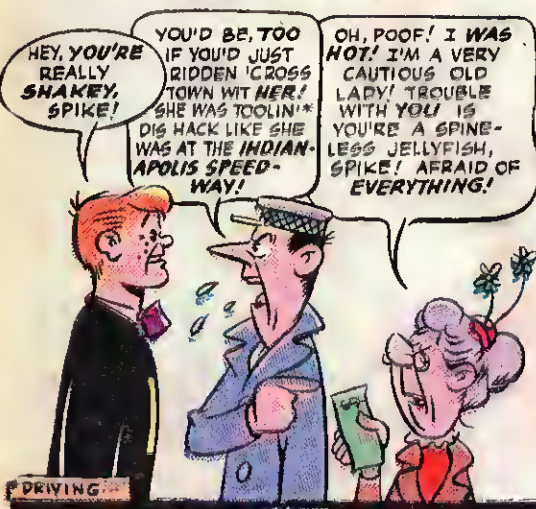
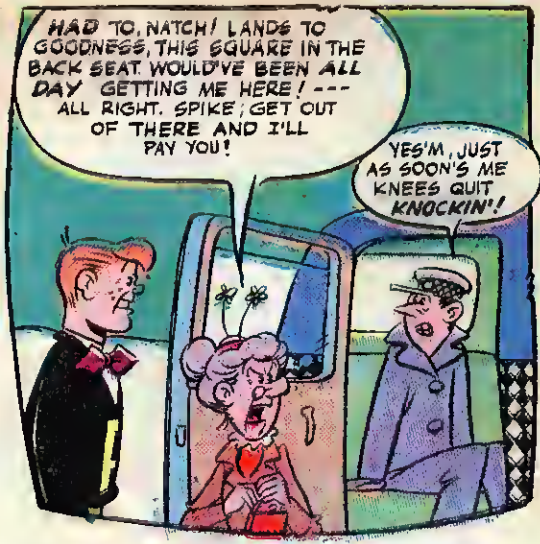
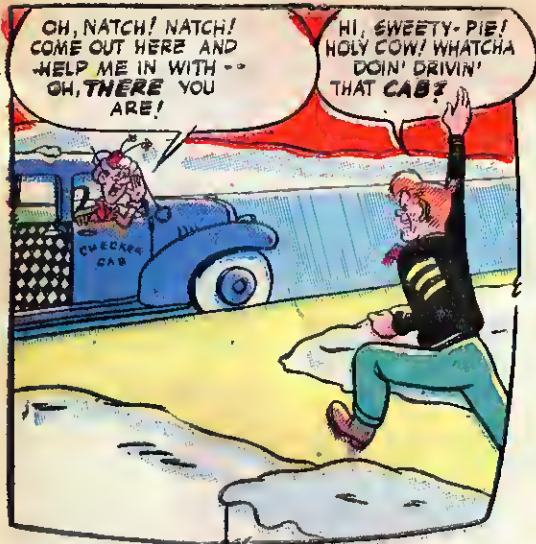
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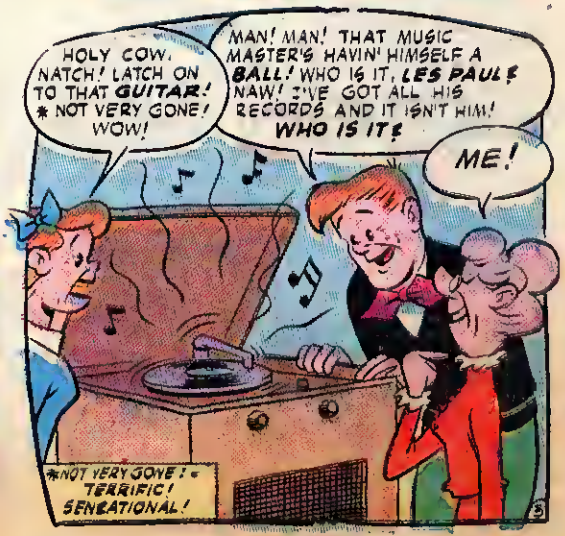
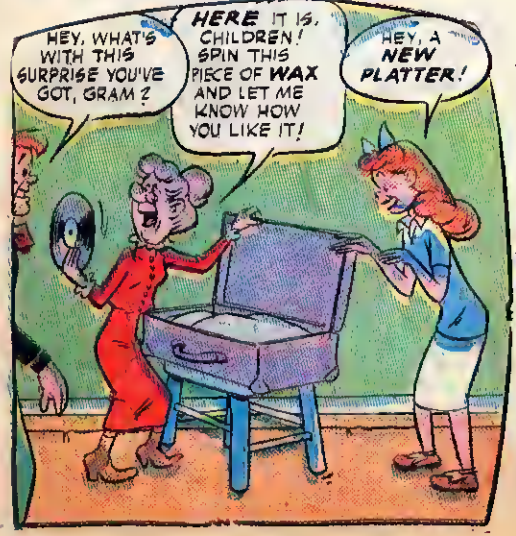
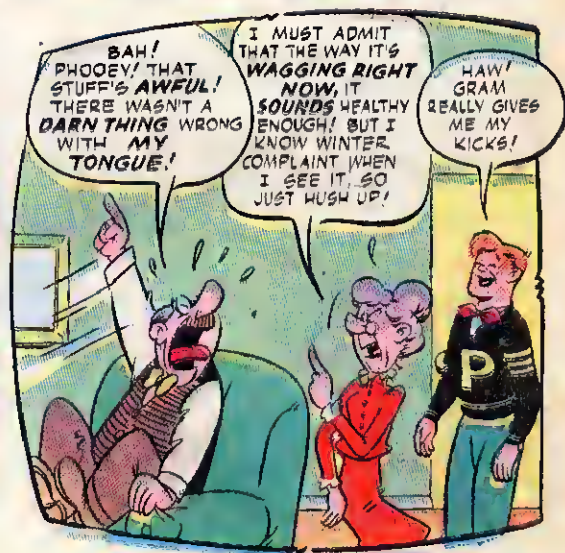
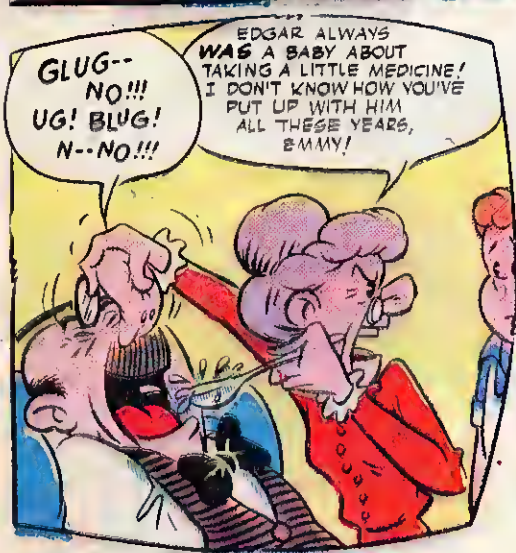
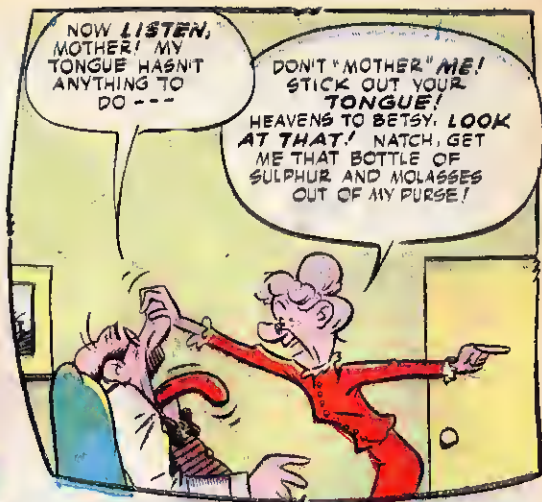
Natch

and

"GRANDMAW KILROY"







JUMPIN' JALOPIES!
THAT'S YOU?

YUP! BACK IN '92, I USED TO KNOCK OUT HOT LICKS ON THE MANDOLIN, BUT THEY'RE OLD-FASHIONED NOW... SO A FEW WEEKS AGO I TOOK UP GUITAR! FIGURED I COULD GIVE MYSELF A FEW KICKS AND GET MY JOLLYS FROM MAKIN' MOOSIC, MOOSIC, MOOSIC!

SO Y' THINK IT'S REAL GONE, EH? * CUT MY OWN DISC, TOO, Y' KNOW! USED A DORGEY PLATTER FOR BACKGROUND, AND LET MYSELF GO! I WAS REALLY FLIPPIN' MY WIG ON THE SECOND CHORUS, HUH? MAN! I GOT OUT OF THIS WORLD!

YE GODS! WHAT KIND OF TALK IS THAT FOR A 78 YEAR OLD WOMAN TO BE USING! WHAT KIND OF MOTHER HAVE I GOT, ANYHOW?

*MADE MY OWN RECORD...

YOU'VE GOT A HEP MOTHER, SONNY BOY! I KEEP MY MIND YOUNG-- AND THAT'S MORE THAN YOU DO! YOU STILL THINK A SNAPPY COMEBACK IS TO SAY TWENTY-THREE SKIDOO!-- IN SHORT, MY SON, YOU COME ON LIKE A SQUARE HAIRCUT!

HI, NATCH! IT'S ME! I'M READY TO GO SHOPPING WITH YA FOR JUDY'S PRESENT!

HEY, KEEN, JACKSON! I ALMOST FORGOT ABOUT IT! GRAM CAME OVER FOR THE HOLIDAYS, AND I'VE BEEN LAUGHIN' MYSELF SICK AT HER GIVIN' POP THE OLD ONE-TWO!-- OKAY, LET'S GO!

Y' KNOW, I'VE ALLUS LIKED YOUR GRANDMA, NATCH! SHE'S REALLY SOLID! AND SHE UNDERSTANDS US TEENAGERS!

YUP! AND IT'S CUZZ IT'S LIKE SHE SAYS-- SHE CAN'T DO ANYTHING ABOUT GROWIN' OLD PHYSICALLY-- BUT SHE CAN KEEP HER MIND YOUNG! THAT'S WHY SHE UNDERSTANDS US!

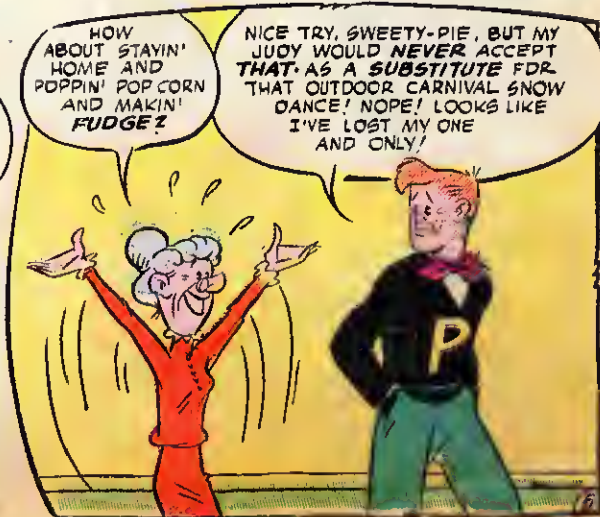
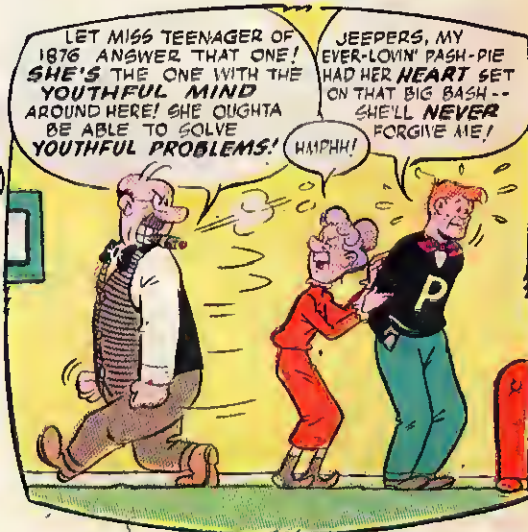
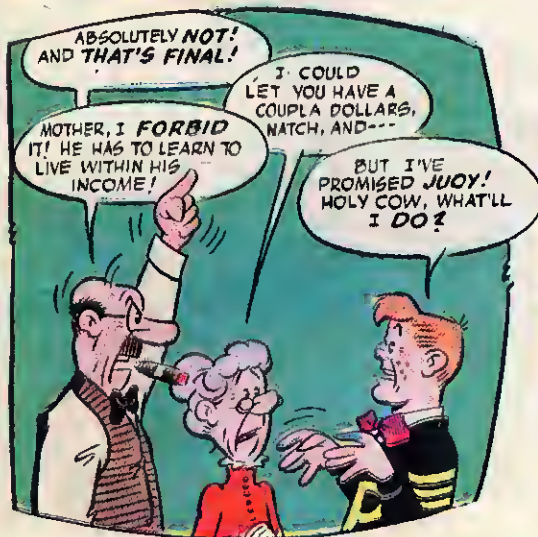
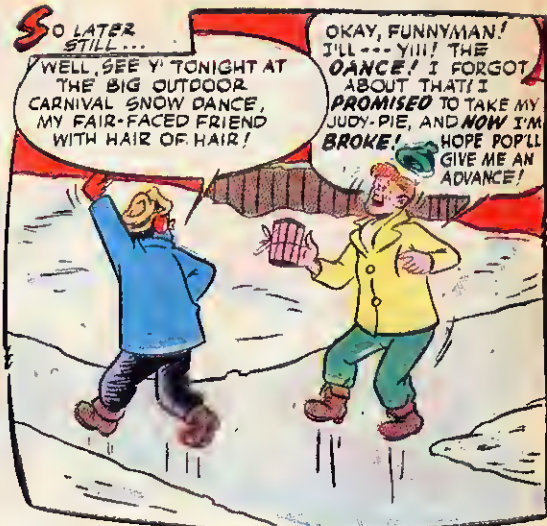
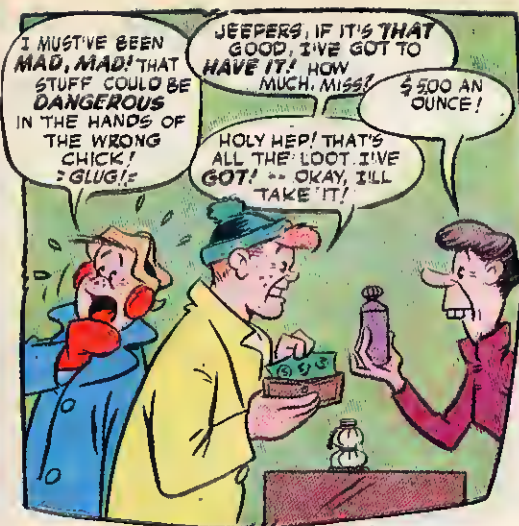
SO AN HOUR LATER, AFTER LOOKING AT HUNDREDS OF POTENTIAL GIFTS...

NATCH! NATCH! THIS--IS--IT! SMELL THIS STUFF-- WOO-WOO! THIS YA GOTTA BUY! GRROWRR! TAKE ME IN YOUR ARMS, LOVELY LADY! I'M YOURS, ALL YOURS!

Perfume

ASK FOR Alan Bait

HOLY COW! IS HE KIDDIN'?

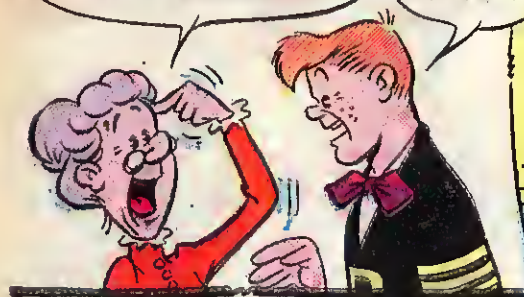


NATCH! NATCH! I'VE GOT IT! I KNOW EXACTLY WHAT YOU CAN DO, AND I CAN SAFELY SAY IT'S SOMETHING THAT A YOUNG GIRL WILL LOVE DOING! IN FACT, I'VE NEVER KNOWN A YOUNG, ROMANTICALLY-INCLINED LADY-- ER-- CHICK-- THAT HASN'T ADORED IT!

WHAT, GRAM? HOLY COW, WHAT?

I CAN'T TELL YOU NOW, BUT, TAKE MY WORD, IT'S PERFECT! I'LL HAVE TO MAKE SOME ARRANGEMENTS FOR YOU, SO CALL ME A CAB-- AND MEET ME AT THE SWEET-TOOTH IN TWO HOURS!

OKAY, AND--- WELL --- I HOPE Y' KNOW WHAT YOU'RE TALKIN' ABOUT, GRAM!



OKAY, SPIKE! GET IN THE BACK SEAT!-- I'M REALLY IN A HURRY THIS TIME!

YOUSE AGAIN! NO! NO, SIR! I WON'T DO IT! YOUSE'LL NEVER DRIVE ME CAB AGAIN!



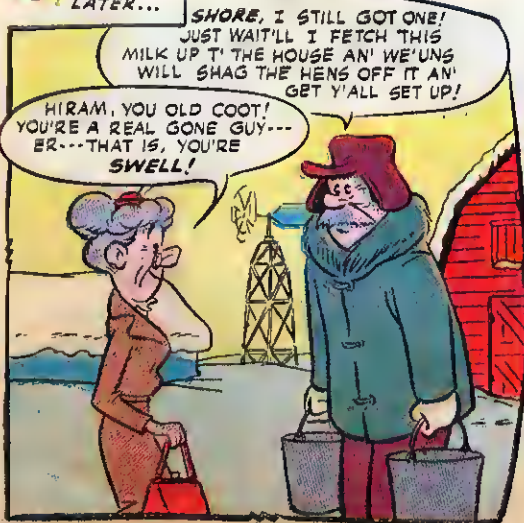
GET IN THAT BACK SEAT, YOU SQUARE! I HAVEN'T TIME TO ARGUE!



A HALF HOUR LATER...

SHORE, I STILL GOT ONE! JUST WAIT'LL I FETCH THIS MILK UP T' THE HOUSE AN' WE'UNS WILL SHAG THE HENS OFF IT AN' GET Y'ALL SET UP!

HIRAM, YOU OLD COOT! YOU'RE A REAL GONE GUY-- ER-- THAT IS, YOU'RE SWELL!



ALL RIGHT, SPIKE, YA SIS BLOOMERS! GET UP OFF THE FLOOR! YOU CAN DRIVE THIS HACK BACK TO TOWN ALONE! I'M NOT GOING WITH YOU!

YOU AREN'T? OH, GOODY! OH, HAPPY DAY! I'M SAFE! SAFE! I CAN DRIVE BACK ALONE!



TWO HOURS LATER, AT THE SWEET-TOOTH--

SLIM, MAKE ME A COKE! NO, BETTER MAKE ME A HOT CUP OF TEA!

HOW'S THE TEA, GRANDMA KILROY?

SLIM, WHEN A BETTER CUP OF TEA THAN YOURS IS MADE--- ANYBODY WILL DO IT!--- NOW THEN, NATCH, FOR CERTAIN REASONS, YOU MUST PROMISE ME SOMETHING--- THAT IS, NEVER TO TELL YOUR FATHER WHAT I'VE ARRANGED FOR YOU---

OKAY, I PROMISE!

FINE! NOW I'LL SHOW YOU WHAT IT IS!

HEY! HERE'S YOUR GRANDMA NOW, NATCH!

WOW! AM I GLAD TO SEE YOU! IT'S ABOUT TIME T' GET OVER TO JUDY-PIE'S!

SO-- A FEW MINUTES LATER AT JUDY'S---

I WOULDN'T HAVE CARED, IF YOU HADN'T PROMISED. AND--- WELL, ALL I CAN SAY IS, WHATEVER THIS OTHER IDEA OF YOURS IS, IT BETTER BE GOOD!

WELL-- ER-- ACCORDIN' TO A VERY EXCELLENT AUTHORITY-- YOU SHOULD LOVE IT! SO GET YOUR COAT-- AND WE'LL-- GULP!-- FIND OUT!

I-- I'M GOING TO TAKE YOU-- YOU RIDING IN THE MOONLIGHT IN-- THAT! A ONE-HORSE OPEN SLEIGH!

NATCH! NATCH, YOU DARLING! HOW ROMANTIC! HOW DID YOU EVER THINK OF IT? HOW SIMPLY THRILLING!

MEANWHILE, AT THE OUT-DOOR CARNIVAL DANCE---

HOLY NEP! I WISH NATCH AND JUDY WERE HERE! THEY'RE REALLY MISSIN' SOMETHIN'!

SHE'LL NEVER FORGIVE HIM!--- THEY'LL BREAK UP!

INTERMISSION, KIDS!

MAN, THIS IS FUN!

WODDA BAND!

O'ER THE HILLS WE GO!

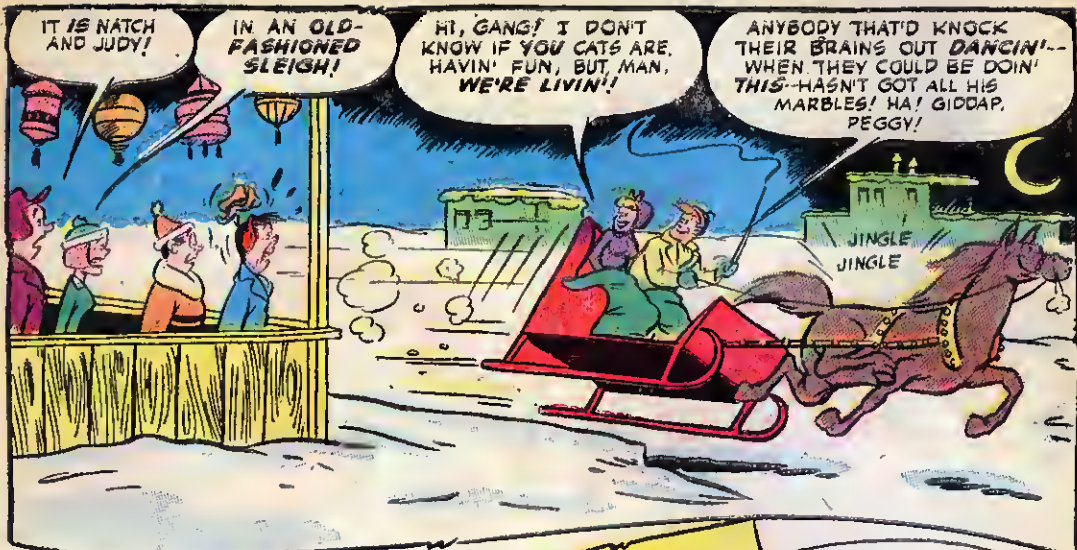
LAUGHING ALL THE WAY!

JINGLE - JINGLE -

HEY! THAT SOUNDS LIKE NATCH AND JUDY!

LOOK, JACKSON!

OUTDOOR CARNIVAL DANCE-- FCKY EKO AND HIS MUSICAL BEKIMOS

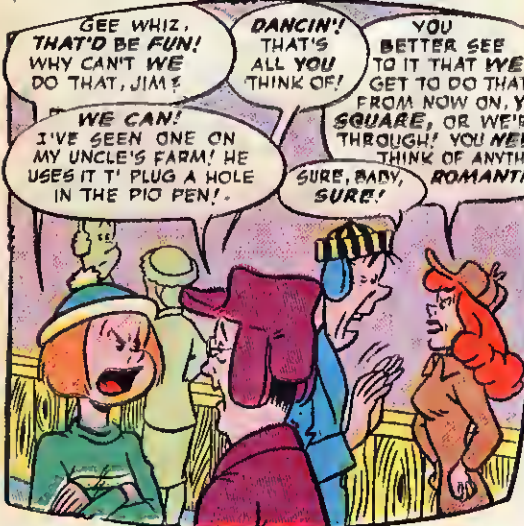


IT IS NATCH
AND JUDY!

IN AN OLD-
FASHIONED
SLEIGH!

HI, GANG! I DON'T
KNOW IF YOU CATS ARE
HAVIN' FUN, BUT MAN,
WE'RE LIVIN'!

ANYBODY THAT'D KNOCK
THEIR BRAINS OUT **DANCIN'**--
WHEN THEY COULD BE DOIN'
THIS--HASN'T GOT ALL HIS
MARBLES! HA! GIDDAP,
PEGGY!



GEE WHIZ,
THAT'D BE FUN!
WHY CAN'T WE
DO THAT, JIM?

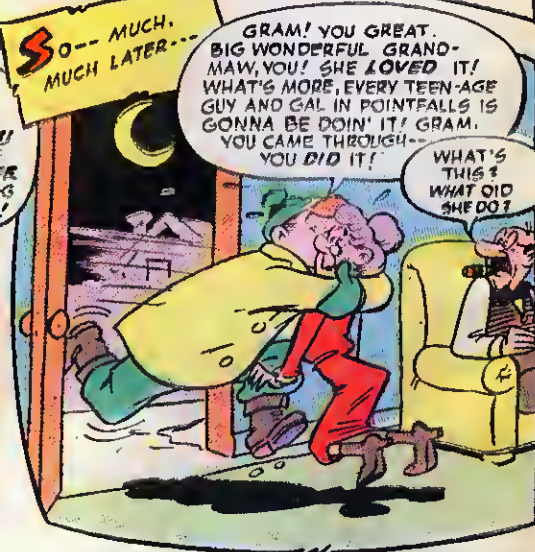
DANCIN'!
THAT'S
ALL YOU
THINK OF!

YOU
BETTER SEE
TO IT THAT WE
GET TO DO THAT
FROM NOW ON, YOU
SQUARE, OR WE'RE
THROUGH! YOU NEVER
THINK OF ANYTHING
ROMANTIC!

WE CAN!
I'VE SEEN ONE ON
MY UNCLE'S FARM! HE
USES IT T' PLUG A HOLE
IN THE PIO PEN!

SURE, BABY,
SURE!

SO-- MUCH--
MUCH LATER--



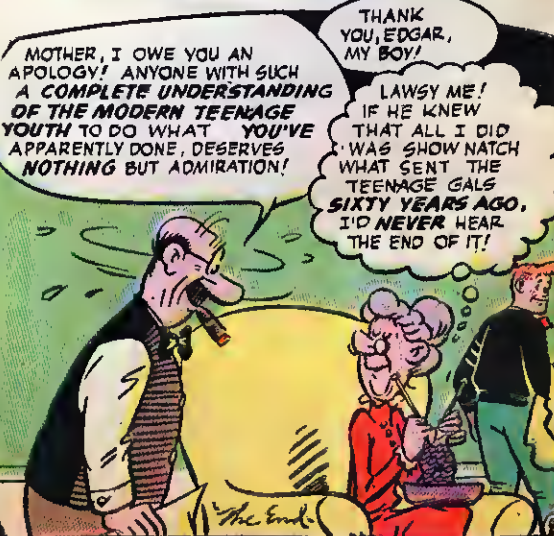
GRAM! YOU GREAT,
BIG WONDERFUL GRAND-
MAW, YOU! SHE **LOVED** IT!
WHAT'S MORE, EVERY TEEN-AGE
GUY AND GAL IN POINTFALLS IS
GONNA BE DOIN' IT! GRAM,
YOU CAME THROUGH--
YOU DID IT!

WHAT'S
THIS?
WHAT DID
SHE DO?



I'LL TELL Y' WHAT SHE
DID! WE TEENAGERS
FIGURE WE'RE HEP ON
EVERYTHING NEW, BUT
TONIGHT, GRAM SHOWED
US THE **LATEST AND
GREATEST** WAY FOR
A GUY TO SHOW HIS
SWEET CHICK A BIG FAT
MESS OF FUN-- AND
WITHOUT SPENDIN' LOOT!

SHE-- SHE
DID?



MOTHER, I OWE YOU AN
APOLOGY! ANYONE WITH SUCH
A **COMPLETE UNDERSTANDING
OF THE MODERN TEENAGE
YOUTH** TO DO WHAT YOU'VE
APPARENTLY DONE, DESERVES
NOTHING BUT ADMIRATION!

THANK
YOU, EDGAR,
MY BOY!

LAWSY ME!
IF HE KNEW
THAT ALL I DID
WAS SHOW NATCH
WHAT SENT THE
TEENAGE GALS
SIXTY YEARS AGO,
I'D NEVER HEAR
THE END OF IT!

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BARBIE

COMES of AGE

THERE COMES A time in the life of every girl when she ceases to regard boys as unnecessary evils and begins to look at them with growing favor. For Barbie, this time had come! Up until one week ago, she had considered man as pests. And now, she was all dated up...a *real* date, not a cram session before a big exam or a school outing!

And Barbie was worried! She recalled her past experiences with boys, none of which could be very helpful in the present situation. "I *did* see a lot of Joey Miller," she reflected, "but he got mad at me for knowing more about chem experiments than he did!" That was true enough. Since Barbie was a bright girl, she never hesitated to correct anyone, boy or girl, or express her opinion!

"Come to think of it, that's how I kind of broke up with Tony Adams, too! He said I was too outspoken! Gosh, what'll I *do*? What'll I *say* to Les?"

Barbie brooded over this for some time. It was a new experience for her, to worry about the outcome of a date! But then, no one like Les had ever asked her for a date before! And to indicate how important this was to Barbie, she had actually bothered to apply pink nail polish to her nails, and to regret that they weren't in glossier condition.

Barbie walked down the steps towards the living room, still fretting about her date with Les. Would he find her argumentative, full of opinions, a know-it-all? She paused at the living room door, hearing voices. Sis was entertaining a beau. Without meaning to spy, Barbie found herself listening in the hope of picking up a few pointers.

Sis's beau was doing the talking. "I thought we'd spend the whole day fishing," he said, "and then we can

cook dinner right in the open!"

"That's a *wonderful* idea!" Sis answered, and Barbie clapped her hand over her mouth to keep from gasping. Why, Sis *hated* to spend a whole day out of doors, getting messy, and having to cook, and watching some dumb fishing line! Sis would much rather go driving and dining and dancing, all dressed up! *Why* was she agreeing so readily?

Slowly, the answer came to Barbie. "She...she *likes* him! She figures *he* wants to spend the day that way, so even if she *doesn't* agree...she *agrees*!"

Barbie wrestled with that notion and it seemed to make sense. Perhaps *that* was the clue to her own success or failure! When Les called for her, Barbie was as pretty and demure-looking as any girl, or her date, could wish!

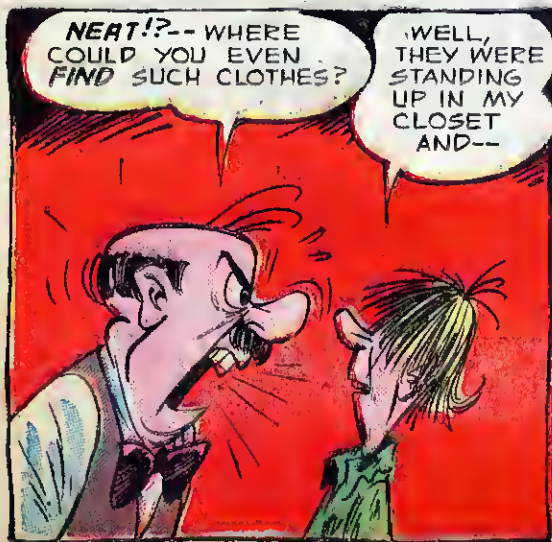
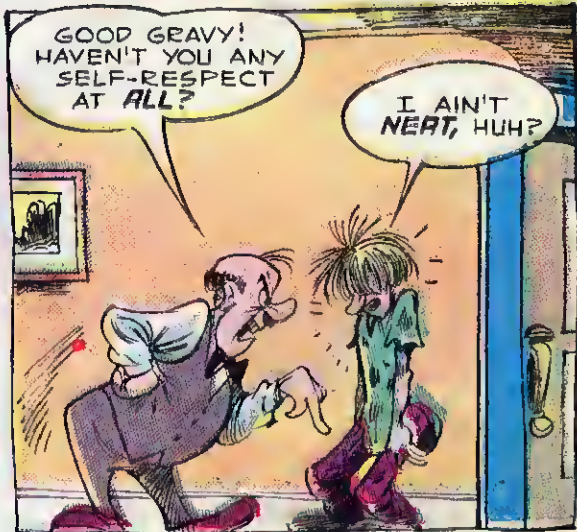
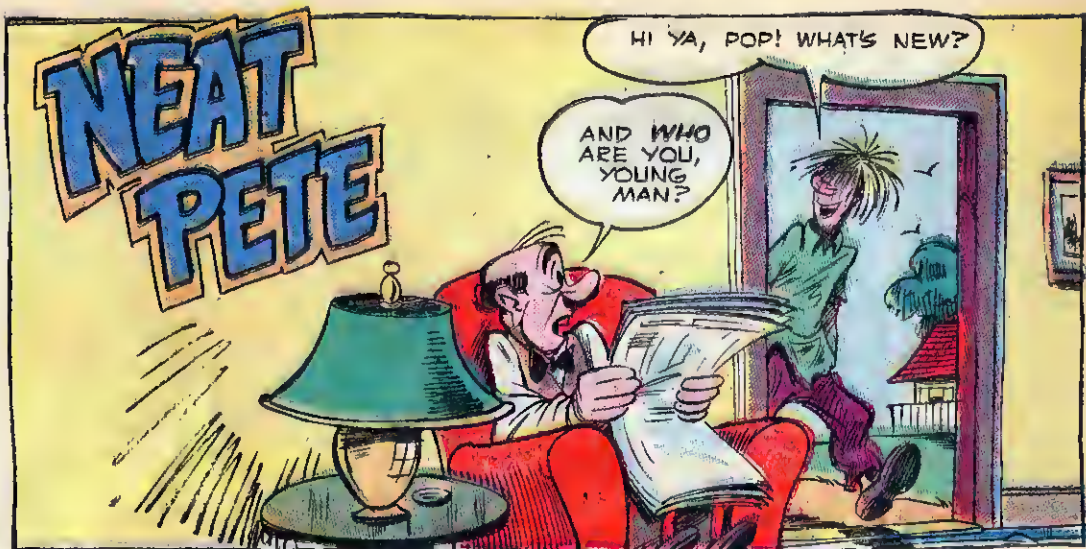
There was an awkward moment during that first date, when Les, in a natural effort to impress Barbie, told her he was very blasé! Only *he* pronounced the word "blaze". It was on the tip of Barbie's tongue to correct him, but suddenly she remembered, "If you *like* him, even if you *don't* agree...*agree*!"

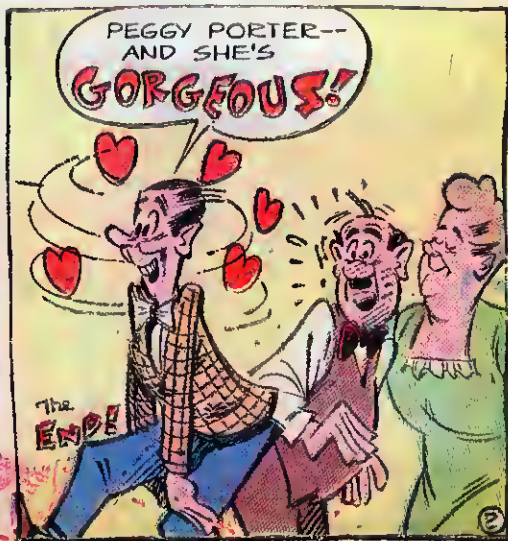
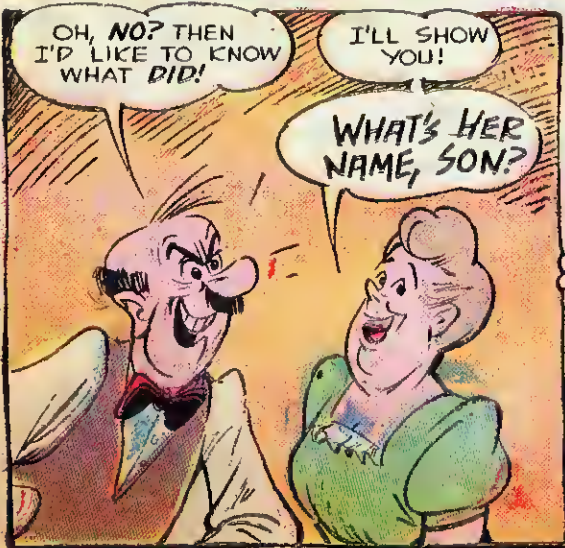
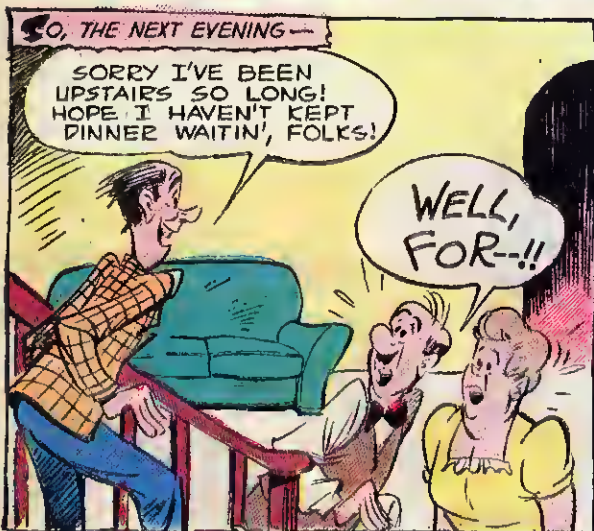
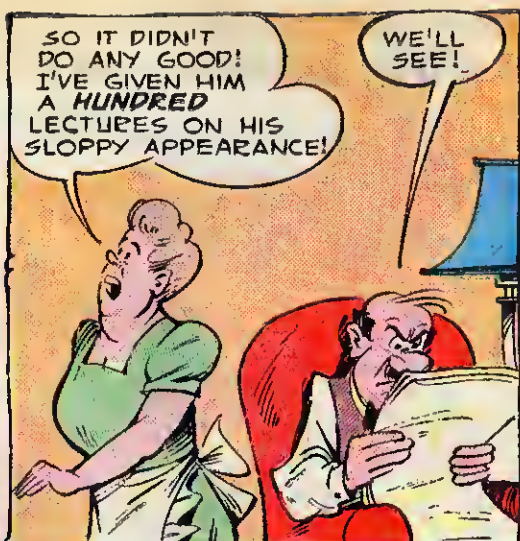
As she repressed the correction, Barbie suddenly had a worldly feeling of feminine power! Why, it was easy to get along with men! Had she corrected him, he wouldn't have liked her for it, would have felt embarrassed!

He would not have said, as he did, "Barbie, when can I see you again? Make it soon, huh?"

And using all her new-found feminine wiles, Barbie hesitated as though she really had to consider *which* was her next free evening! "How about next Saturday?" Les urged.

"Wellllll..." Barbie was thoughtful... "all right!"





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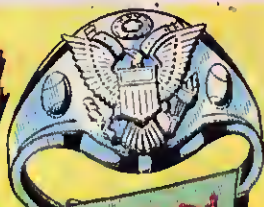


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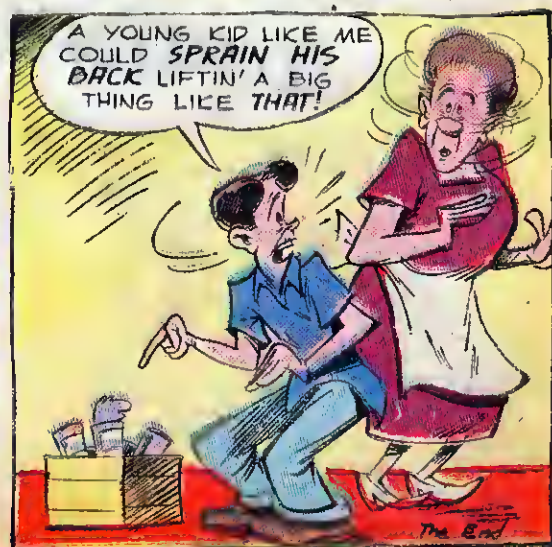
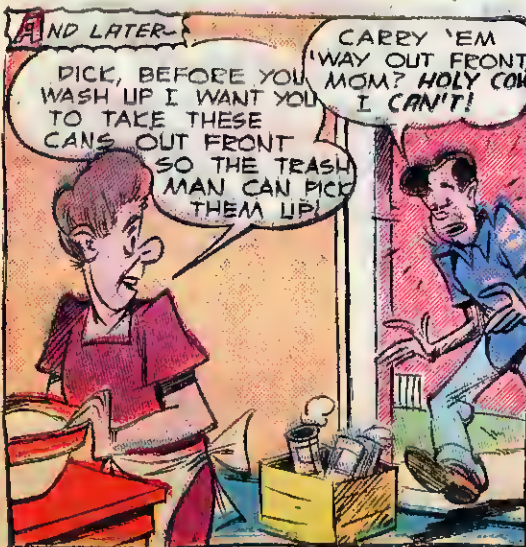
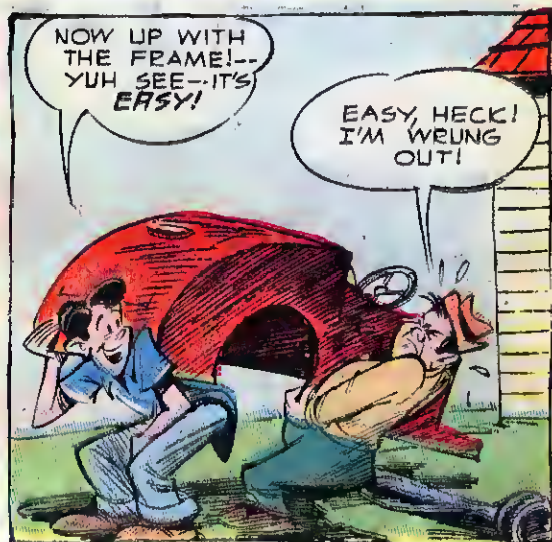
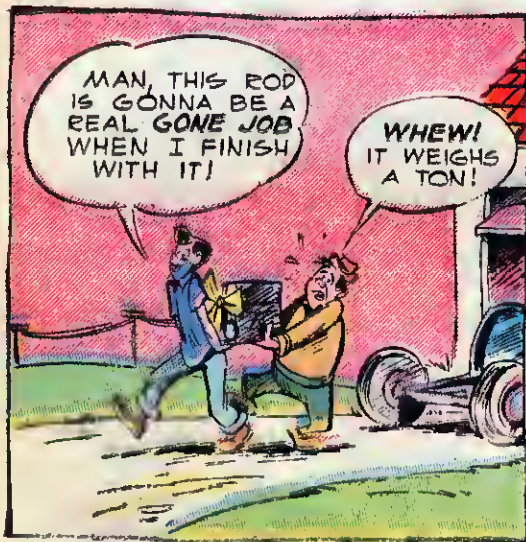
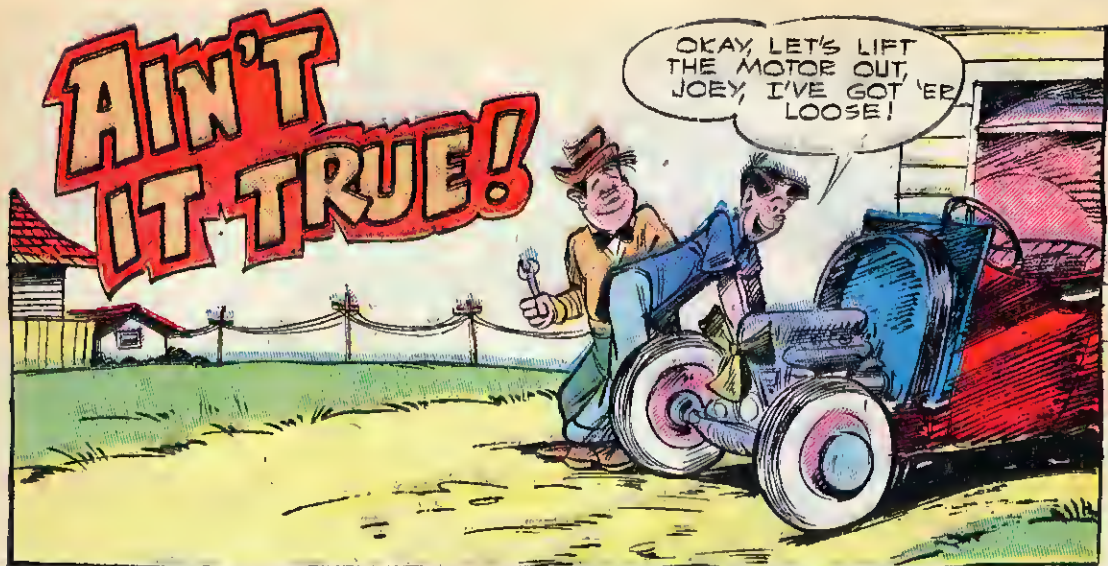
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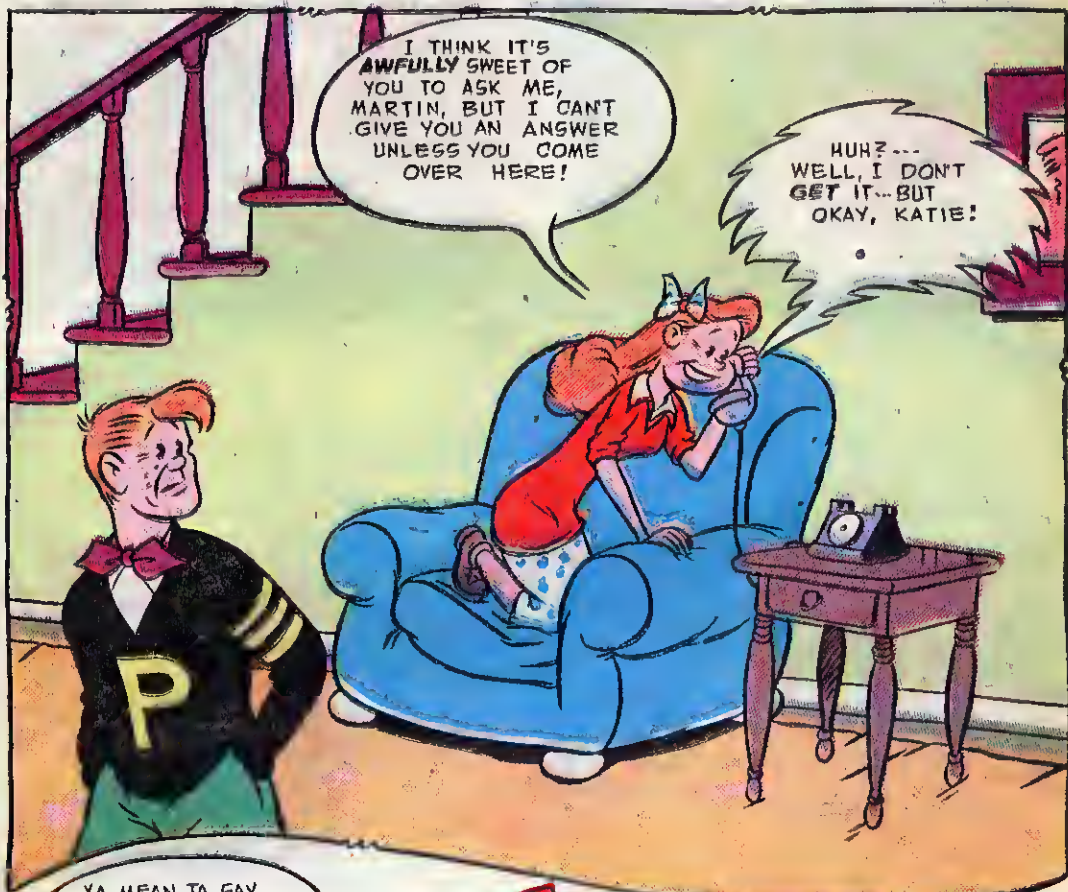
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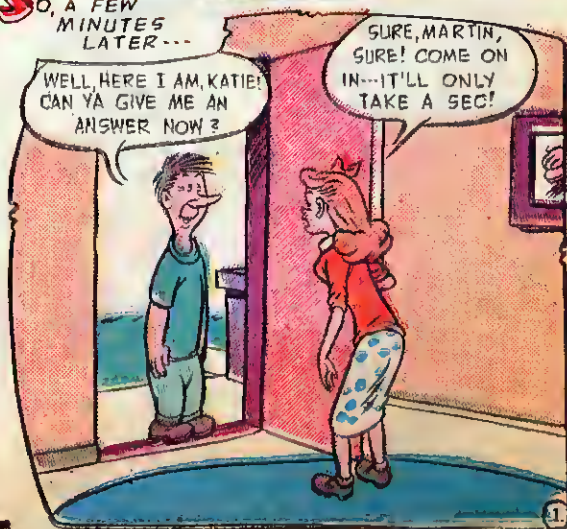


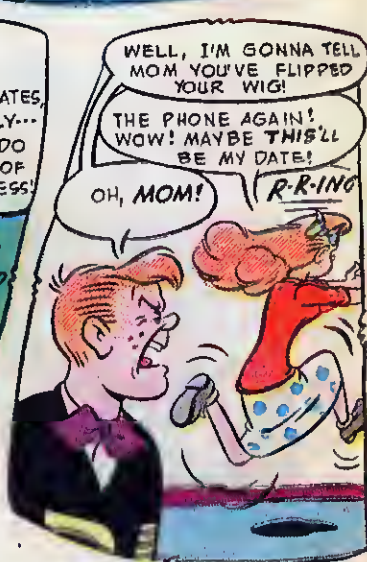
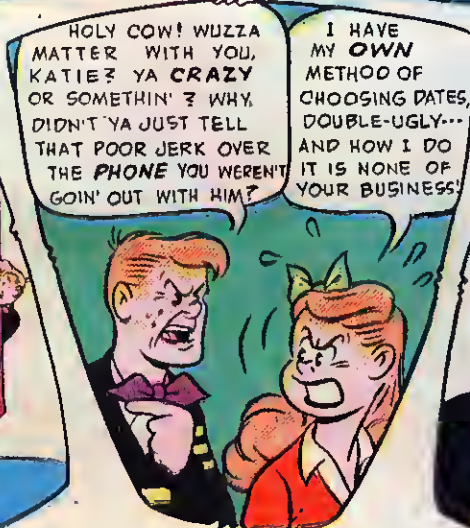
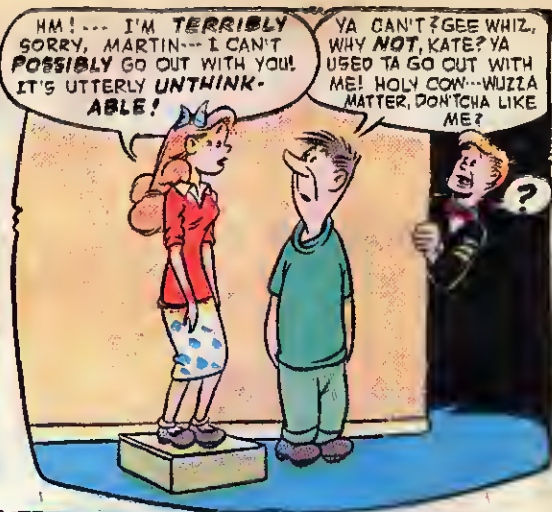
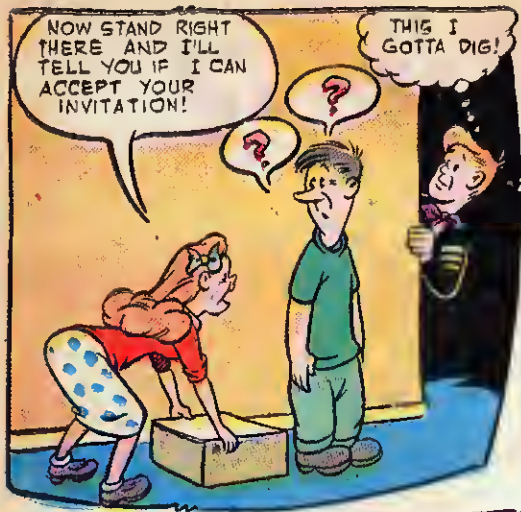
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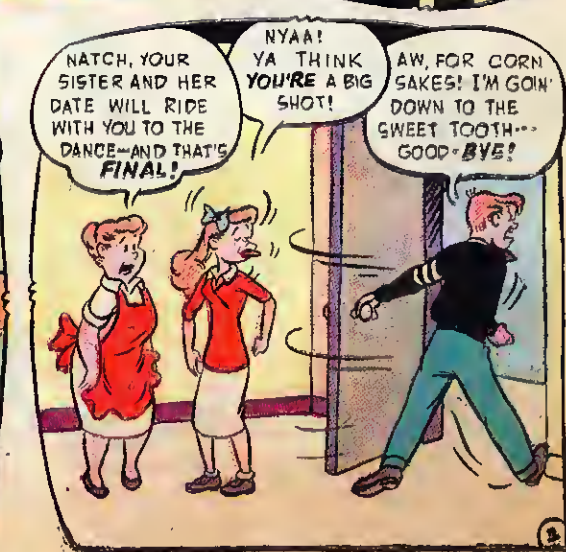
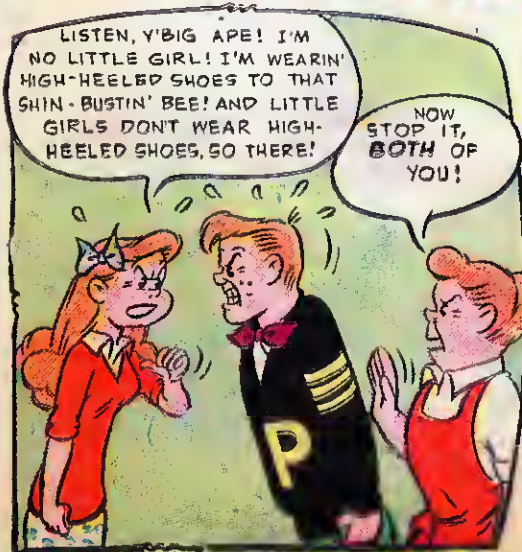
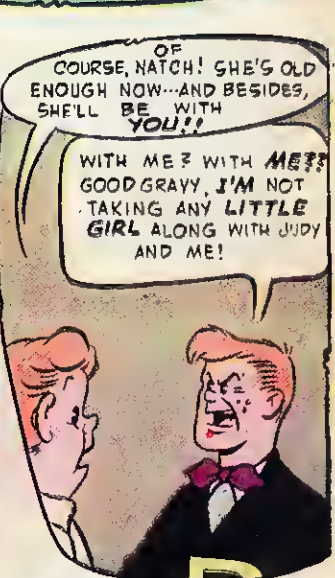
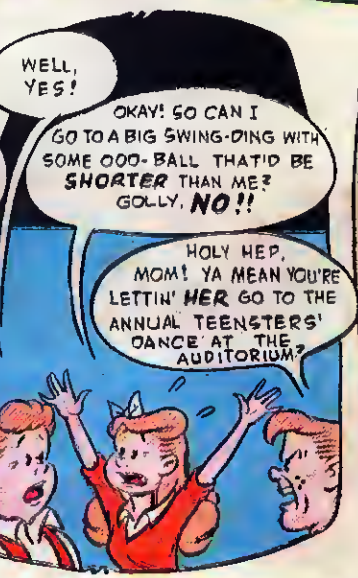
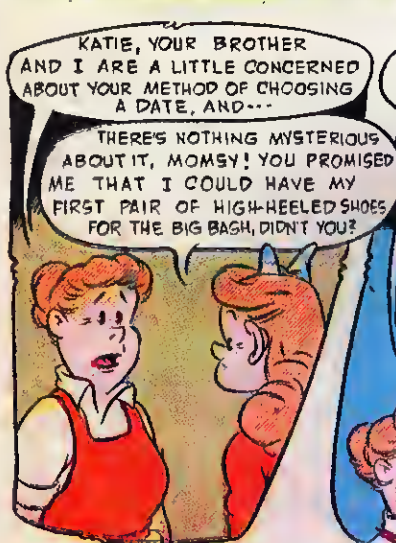
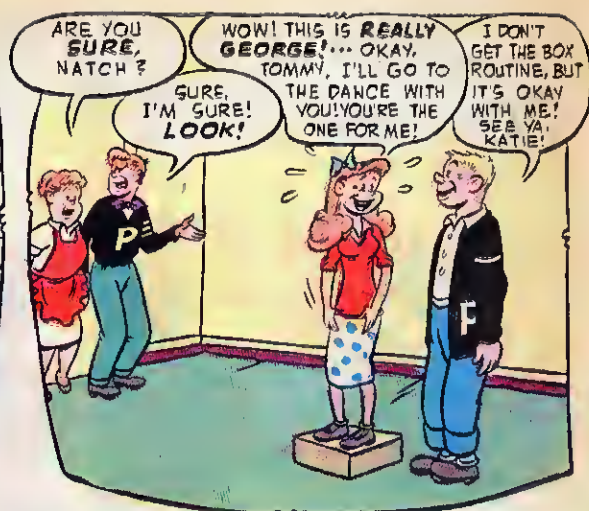
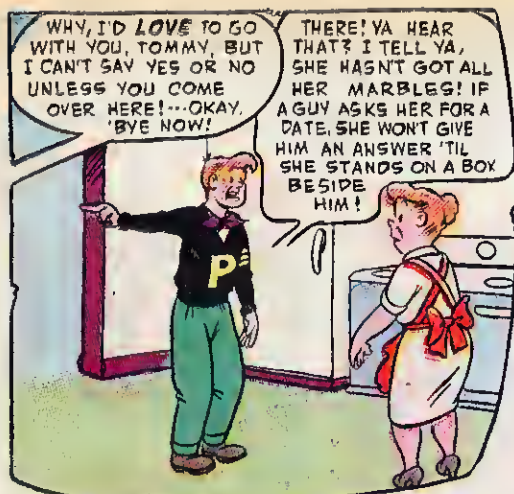
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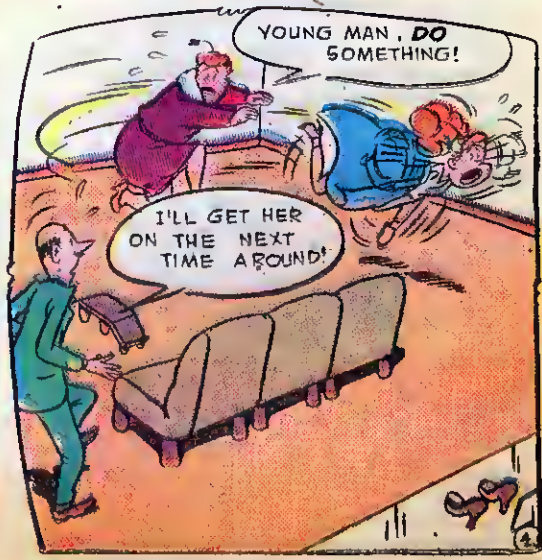
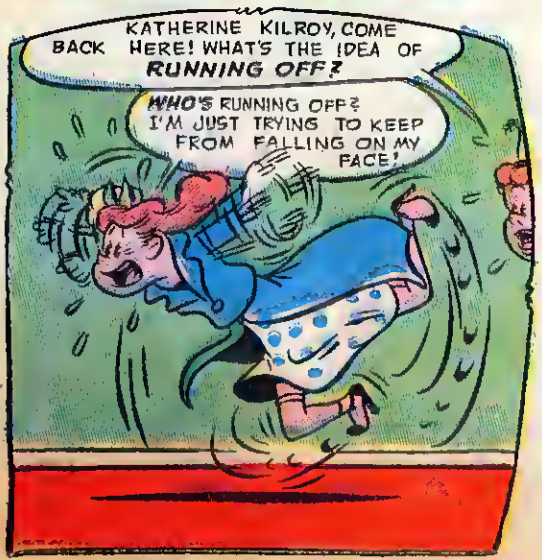
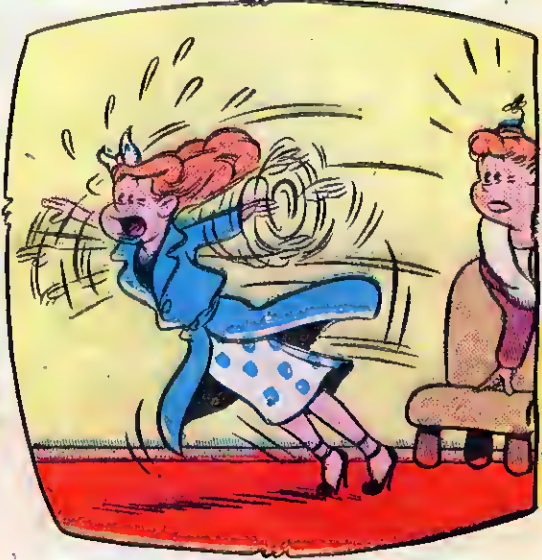
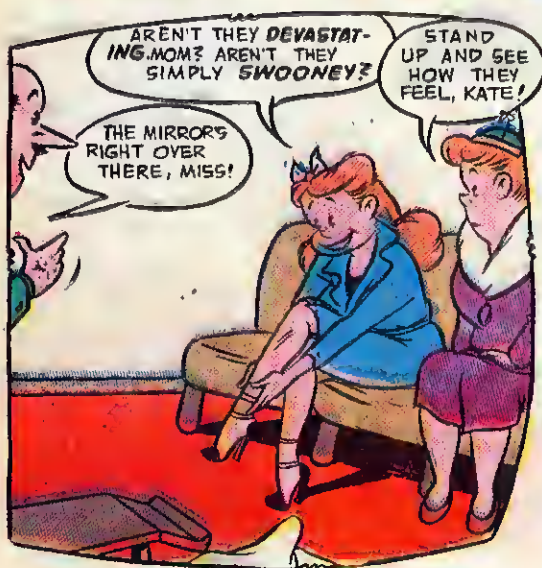
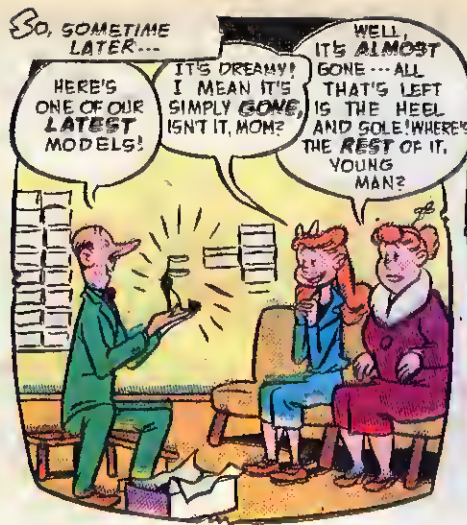


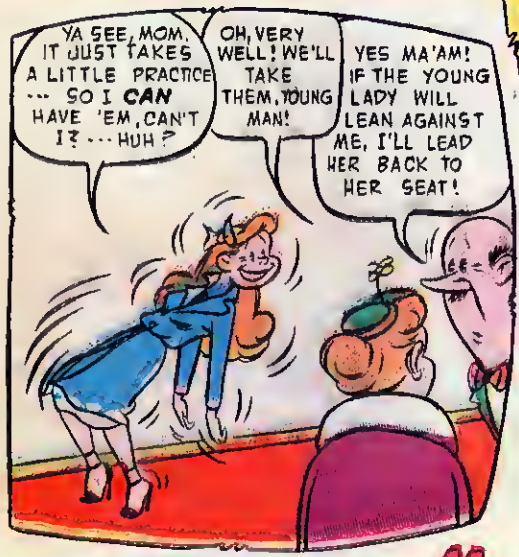
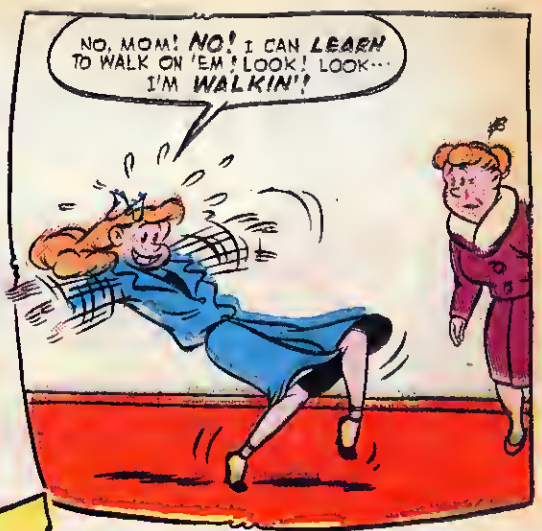
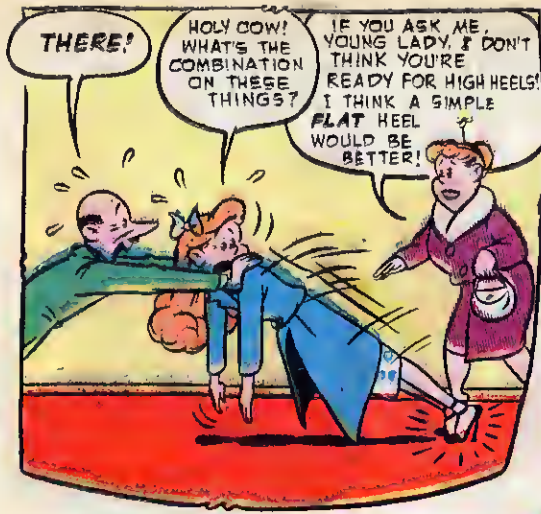
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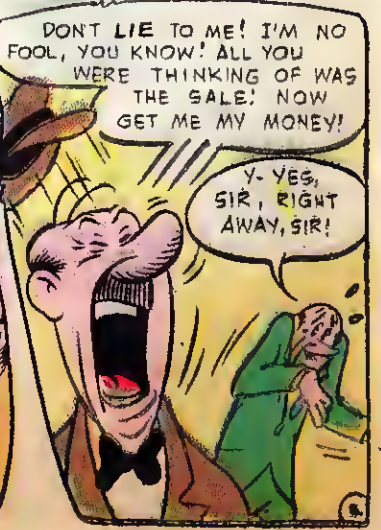
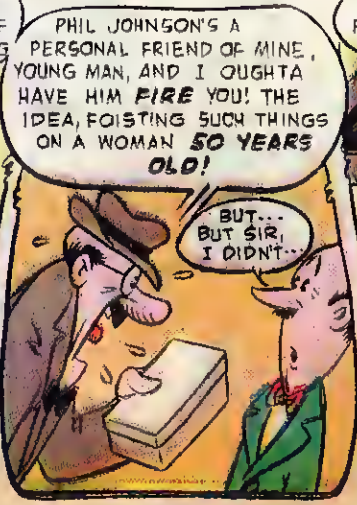
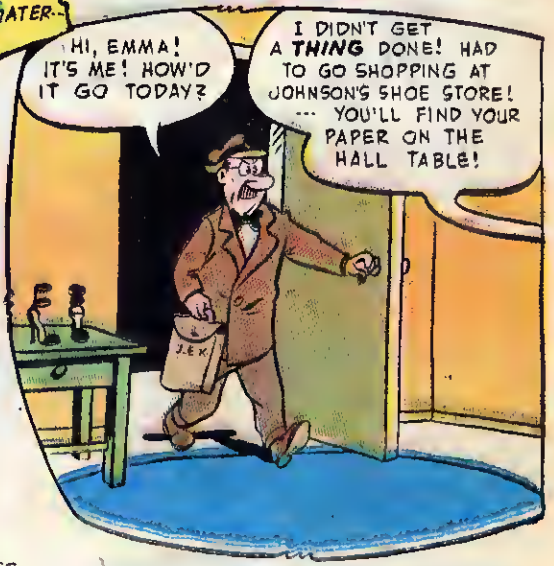








LATER--



SO, SHORTLY AFTER SUPPER...

YOU CAN START GETTING READY NOW, KATIE---I'LL FINISH THE DISHES! YOU'LL FIND YOUR SHOES ON THE HALL TABLE!

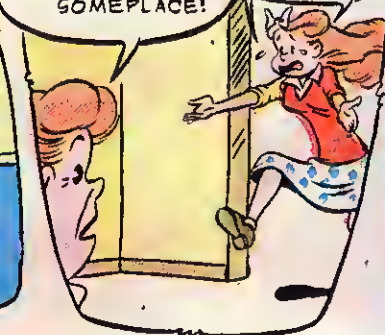
WOW!



MOM! THEY'RE GONE! THEY'RE NOT THERE!

OH, THEY MUST BE IN THE LIVING ROOM SOMEPLACE!

WELL, COMON AND HELP ME FIND 'EM!

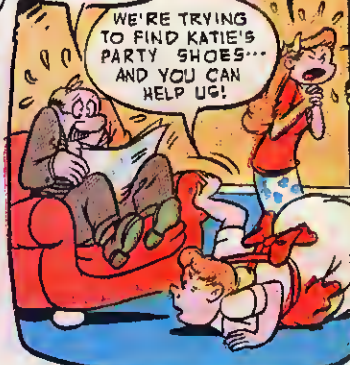


MINUTES LATER...

VE GODS! WHAT IS THIS? CAN'T A MAN RELAX AT ALL?

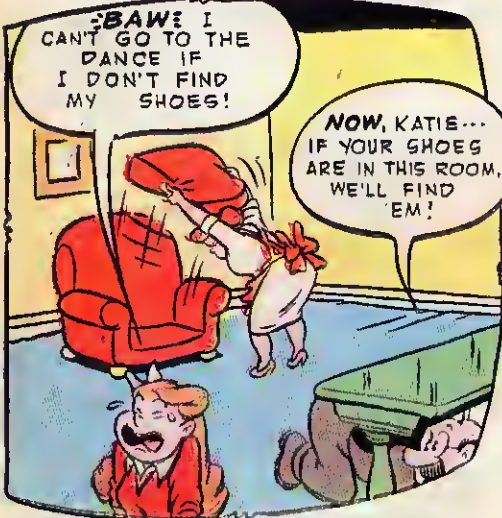
BAW! I CAN'T FIND MY PURTY SHOES!

WE'RE TRYING TO FIND KATIE'S PARTY SHOES... AND YOU CAN HELP US!



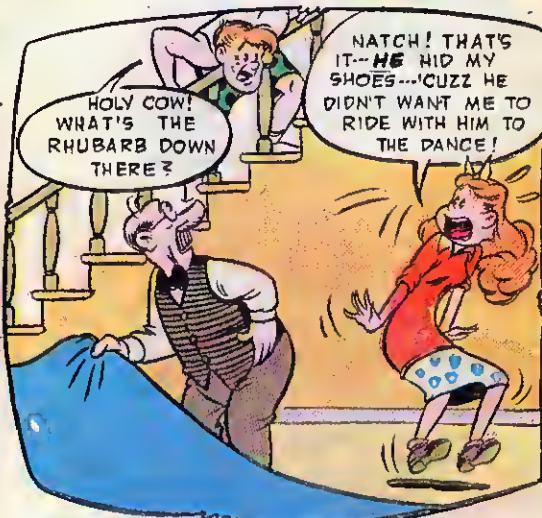
BAW! I CAN'T GO TO THE DANCE IF I DON'T FIND MY SHOES!

NOW, KATIE... IF YOUR SHOES ARE IN THIS ROOM, WE'LL FIND 'EM!



HOLY COW! WHAT'S THE RHUBARB DOWN THERE?

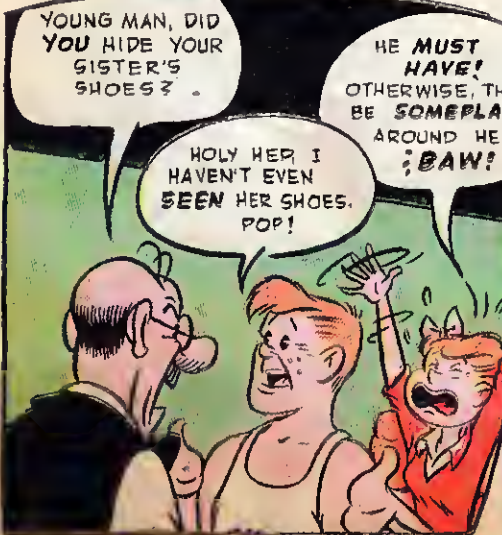
NATCH! THAT'S IT--HE HID MY SHOES...CUZZ HE DIDN'T WANT ME TO RIDE WITH HIM TO THE DANCE!



YOUNG MAN, DID YOU HIDE YOUR SISTER'S SHOES?

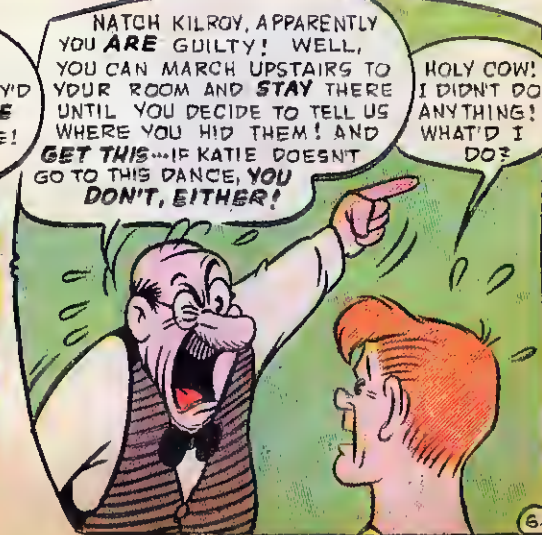
HE MUST HAVE! OTHERWISE, THEY'D BE SOMEPLACE AROUND HERE! BAW!

HOLY HEE I HAVEN'T EVEN SEEN HER SHOES. POP!



NATCH KILROY, APPARENTLY YOU ARE GUILTY! WELL, YOU CAN MARCH UPSTAIRS TO YOUR ROOM AND STAY THERE UNTIL YOU DECIDE TO TELL US WHERE YOU HID THEM! AND GET THIS---IF KATIE DOESN'T GO TO THIS DANCE, YOU DON'T, EITHER!

HOLY COW! I DIDN'T DO ANYTHING! WHAT'D I DO?



THAT SETTLES THAT!...
AND SPEAKING OF **SHOES**,
EMMA—I TOOK THOSE
MONSTROSITIES THAT
YOU BOUGHT TODAY BACK
TO JOHNSON'S! NO WIFE OF
MINE IS GOING TO WEAR
SUCH **RIDICULOUS**...

**YOU
WHAT??**

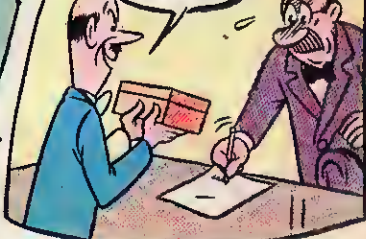


YOU NOSEY, MEDDLING OLD BUSY-BODY...
THOSE WERE **KATIE'S SHOES**! HER
VERY FIRST HIGH HEELS! THIS
WHOLE THING IS **YOUR FAULT!**...
NOW LISTEN TO ME, YOU'RE GOING
TO CALL PHIL JOHNSON AND HAVE
HIS SALESMAN OPEN THE STORE
AND **GET THOSE SHOES!**



SO... BEFORE I RELEASE
THESE **SHOES** TO YOU,
SIR, I MUST INSIST YOU
SIGN THIS STATEMENT
SAVING I HAVE **NOT**
FOISTED THEM ON YOU!

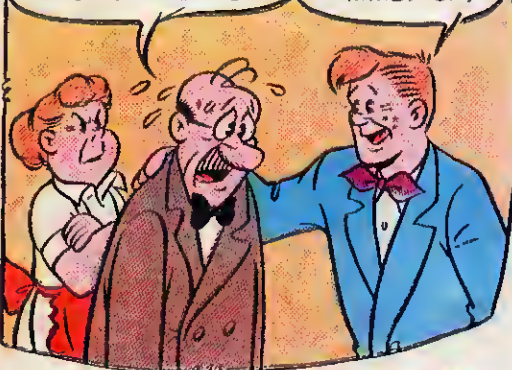
OKAY, YOU
DON'T HAVE TO
RUB IT IN!
AND I
EXPECT AN
**APOLOGY TOO,
BRAIN!**



AND
THEN...

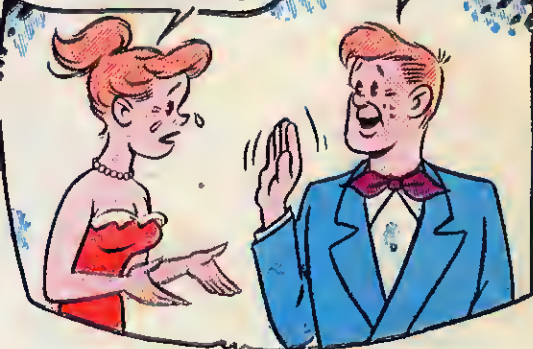
NATCH, CAN YOU FOR-
GIVE ME FOR BEING SUCH
A FOOL AND ACCUSING
YOU? --- I --- I ---

AW,
FORGET IT, POP!
WHAT TH' HEY!
ANYBODY
COULDA GOT
MIXED UP!



N-NATCH, IT
WASN'T POP'S FAULT...
IT WAS **MINE!** I HAD
NO BUSINESS TO SAY
YOU HID MY SHOES---
AND IF YOU WANT, I
WON'T EVEN **GO TONIGHT!**
I DON'T DESERVE TO!

AW, KATIE! YOU
HAD **EVERY RIGHT**
TO ACCUSE ME
AFTER THE WAY I
ACTED THIS A.M.!



I JUST DIDN'T REALIZE YOU
WERE **GROWING UP!**... HOLY
HANNAH, **LOOK AT YA!**
YOU'VE MOVED INTO THE
SLICK CHICK CLASS! I
WANT YOU AND YOUR
BOY FRIEND
TO COME
WITH US
TONIGHT!

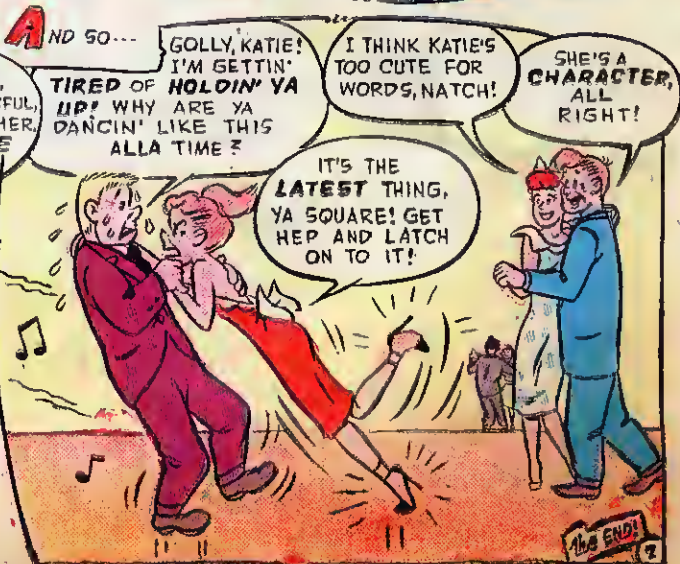
OOO!
YOU GREAT,
BIG, WONDERFUL,
PURTY BROTHER,
YOU! I **LOVE**
YA!

**TIRED OF HOLDIN' YA
UP!** WHY ARE YA
DANCIN' LIKE THIS
ALLA TIME?

I THINK KATIE'S
TOO CUTE FOR
WORDS, NATCH!

SHE'S A
CHARACTER,
ALL
RIGHT!

IT'S THE
LATEST THING.
YA SQUARE! GET
HEP AND LATCH
ON TO IT!



THE END!

JUST AVERAGE

"EVERYTHING ABOUT ME is so... so...ordinary!" Marge stormed rebelliously at her reflection in the mirror. "I hate being average!"

Marge had always been average. She was a little past sixteen and exactly in the right grade in high school, neither above nor below. Her hair and eyes were medium brown, her figure was a regular size twelve, and her features were small and straight. There was nothing in the mirror to arouse such wrath as she felt, but perhaps the fact that she was preparing for a date with Bill had something to do with it!

"I look like everybody else...or nobody *special*!" she almost wept. "Oh, why wasn't I born clever or gorgeous or talented or *something*!"

For an instant, she thought wildly of bleaching her hair to a bright gold or red. That might help. Or perhaps she could coax her mother into allowing her to wear platform shoes and slinky black. No, she'd *never* be allowed to wear anything like that!

"I guess this will be my first and last date with Bill," she thought mournfully, brushing her hair automatically. "He'll probably think of me as just another nice girl, but no one to get dreamy-eyed about!"

It was with this feeling of utter hopelessness and self-dislike that Marge met Bill. She was very quiet as they walked to the movies, thinking that anything she might find to say would probably be just dull and uninteresting.

But it was after the movies that Marge was really unhappy. For Bill said, "Let's go get a coke or something," and Marge knew that all her mediocrity, her detestable, colorless,

uninteresting average self, would be found out!

Bill surprised her, however, by saying, "You seem like a pretty thoughtful girl, Marge. I wonder if you'd mind listening to...well...it's a problem I have to work out!"

"Why, sure, Bill, I'd like to," she answered.

"Well, dad always wanted me to be an engineer, but I've gotten sorta interested in history and archeology and stuff, and it's hard to make up my mind. You see..."

Long after their cokes had disappeared, Marge and Bill sat in the ice cream parlor, Marge listening and Bill telling her of his plans and difficulties. Suddenly, Marge noticed the wall clock. "I'm sorry, Bill, but it's getting late," she said.

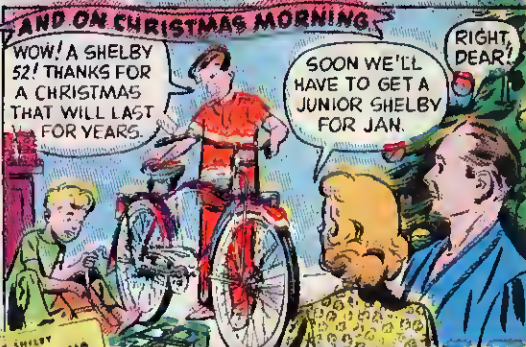
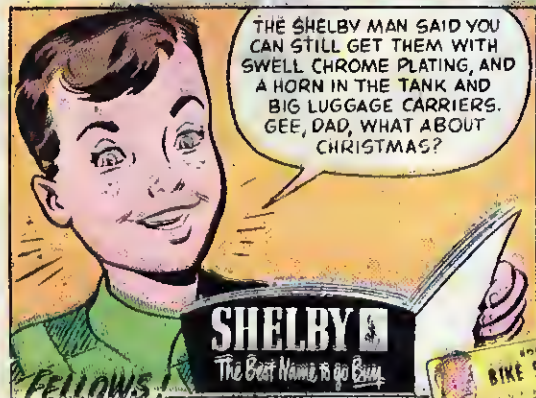
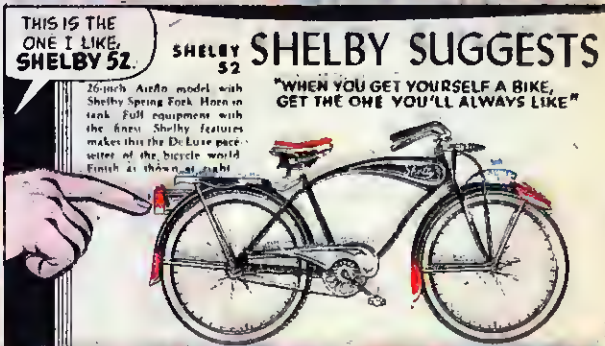
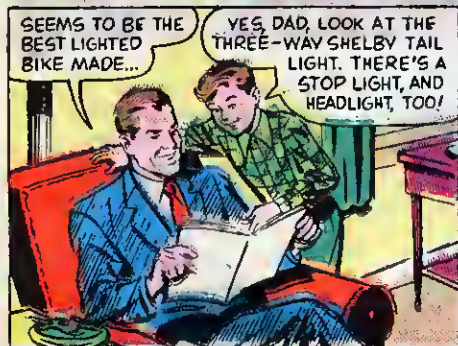
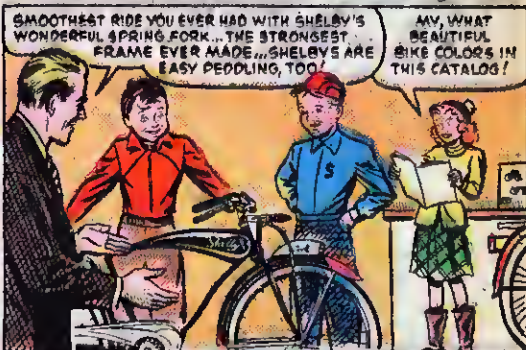
"Guess you're right," Bill smiled. "It's just been so swell talking to you, Marge!"

As he walked her home, Bill drew her hand through his arm. "Not many girls will really be interested in a guy's problems," he remarked. "Usually, they're more interested in fixing their hair or their lipstick or fussing with their dresses. In my opinion, Marge, you're pretty special! You're *different*!"

As Marge looked at her reflection that evening, she saw that her cheeks were flushed and her eyes were glowing. Her brown hair and eyes looked suddenly warm and attractive, and she couldn't repress a little smile that brought the dimples into her cheeks.

"I guess I won't bother bleaching my hair, after all!" she decided. "I don't have to, because I *am* different! Bill thinks there's nothing ordinary about *me*!"

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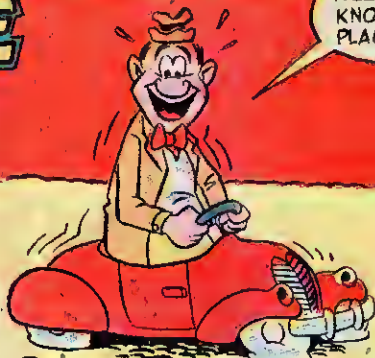
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WELL, WHAT DO YA
KNOW --- A **LOT**TA
PLACES TO **PARK**!

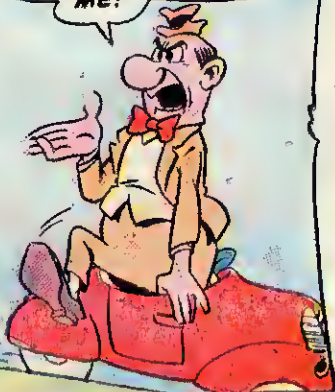


I WOULDN'T PARK
THAT MIDGET CAR
THERE IF I WERE
YOU, MISTER!

WHY **NOT**? THERE'S NO
PARKING SIGN AROUND! AND
BESIDES... **YOU'RE NOT
ME!**

I KNOW,
BUT---

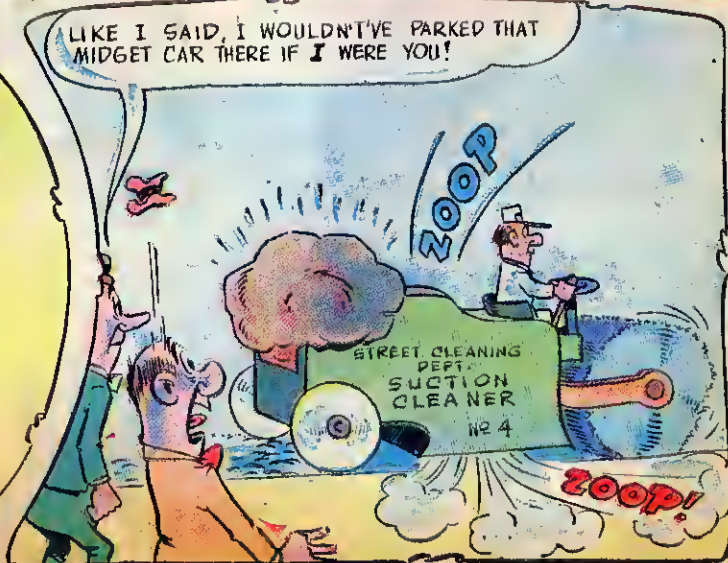
YOU'D DO WELL TO
MIND YOUR **OWN**
BUSINESS, CHUM!

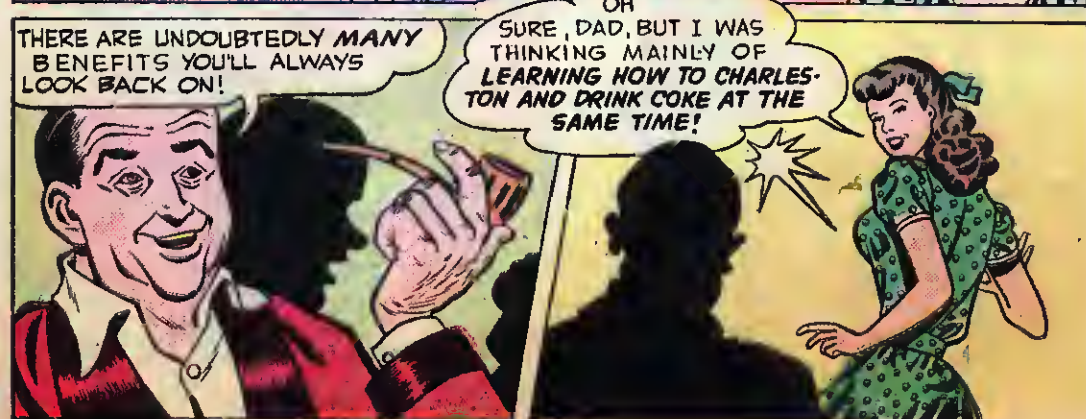
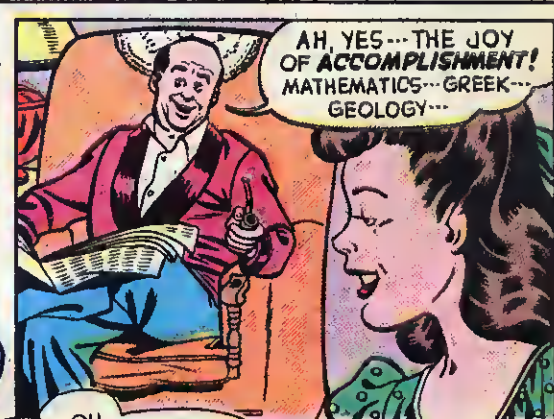
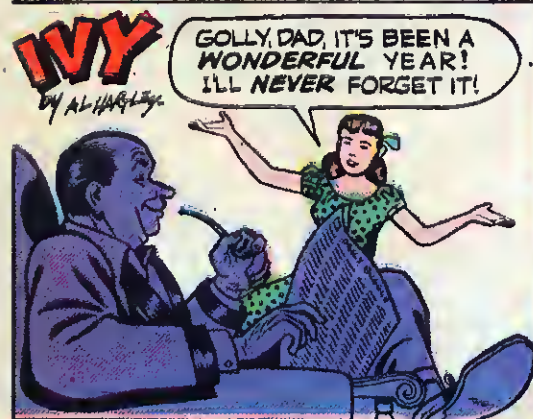
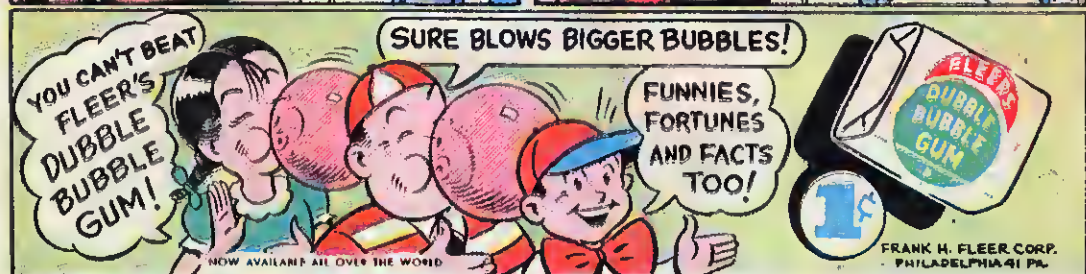
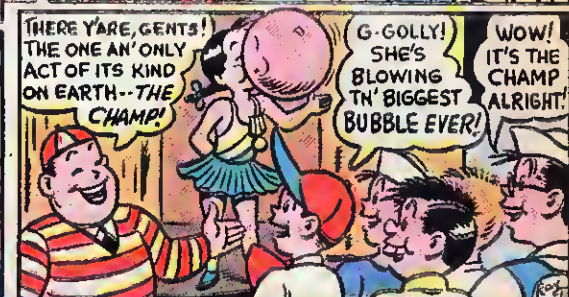
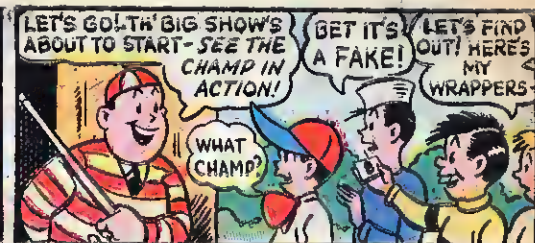


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CLUNK!



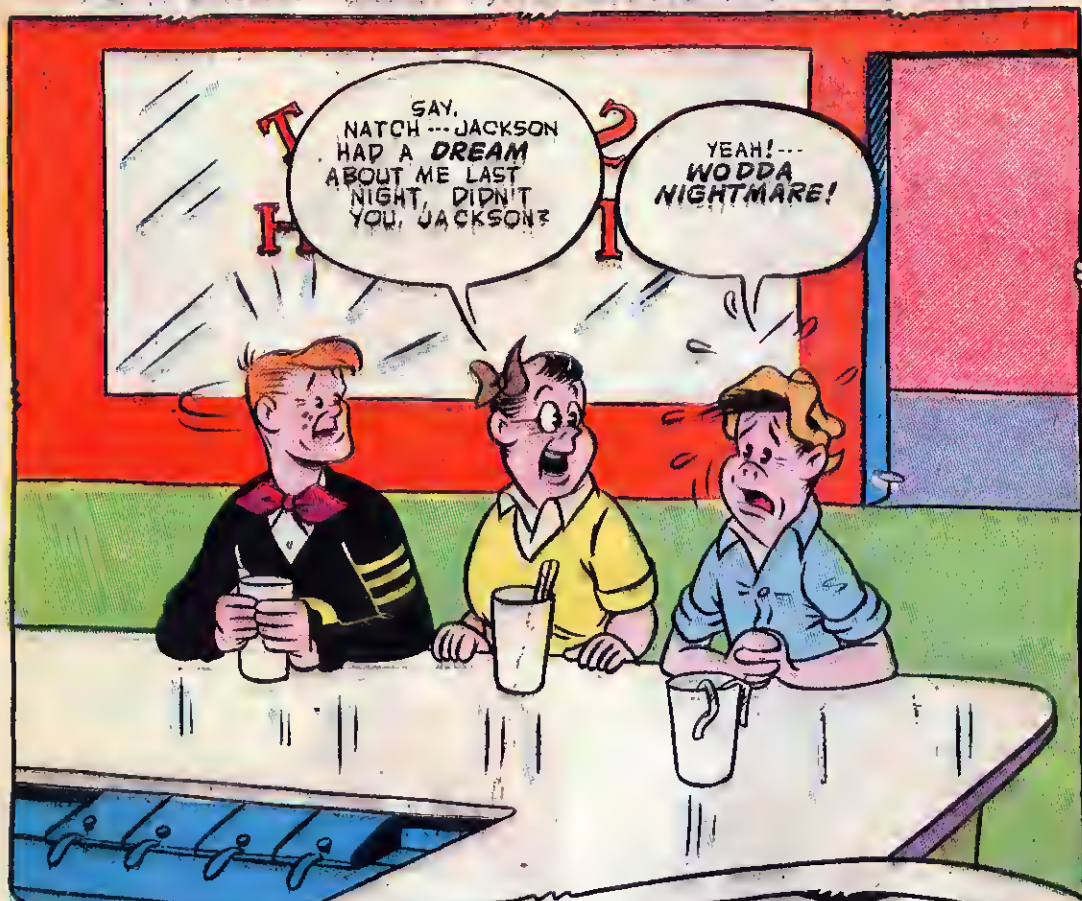
LIKE I SAID, I WOULDN'T'VE PARKED THAT
MIDGET CAR THERE IF **I** WERE YOU!

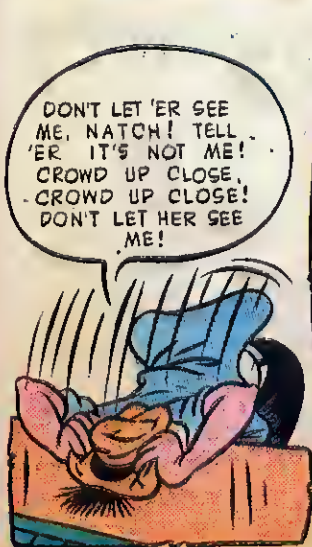
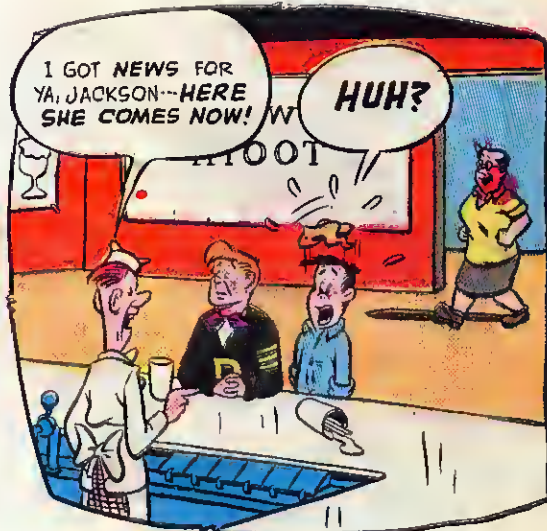
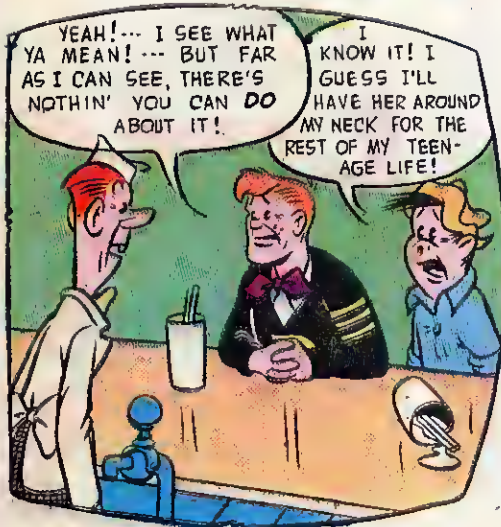
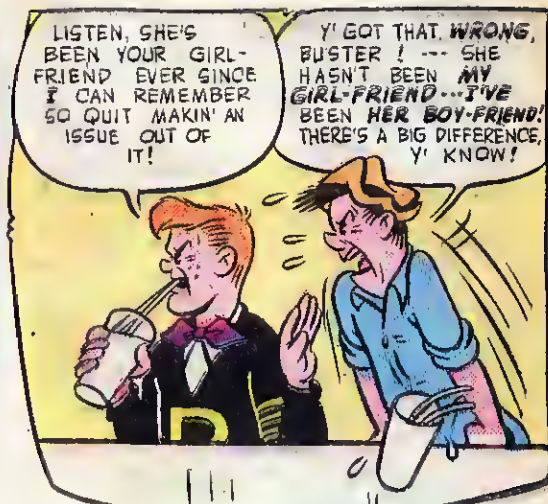
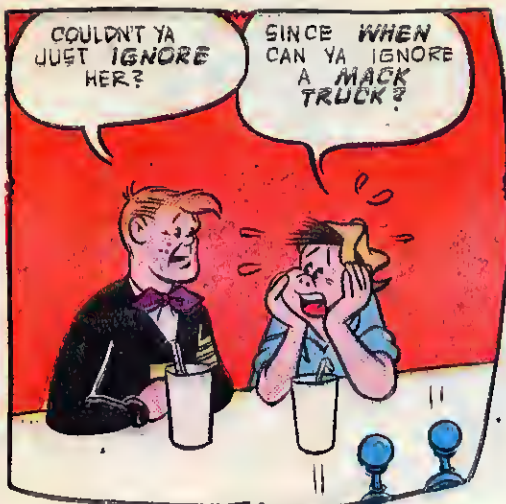


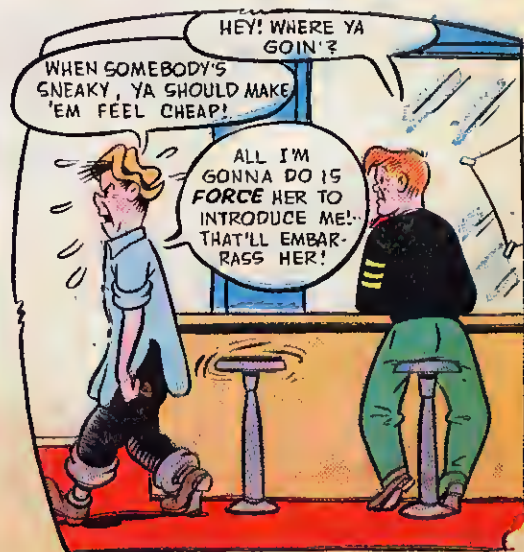
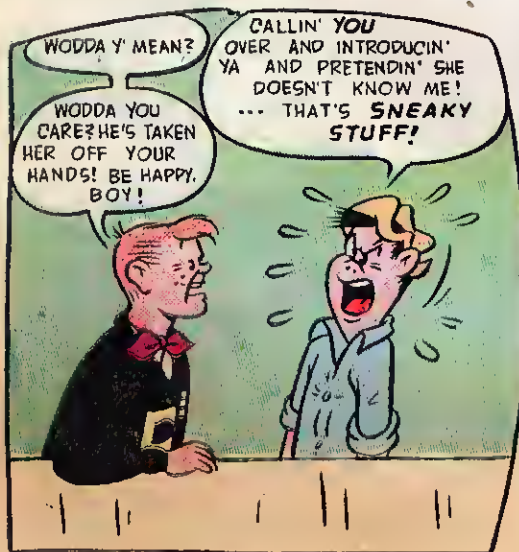
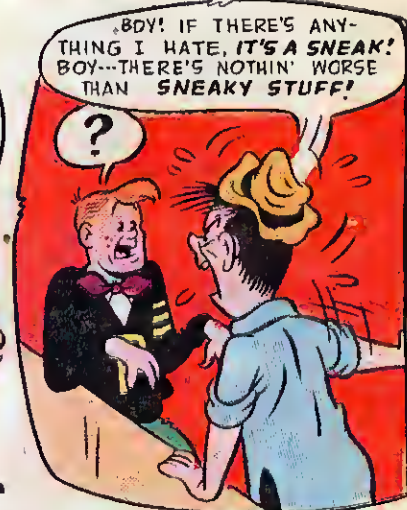
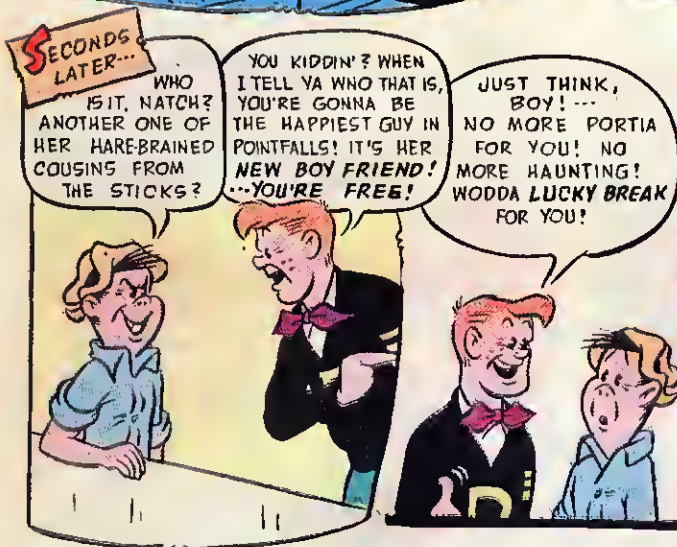
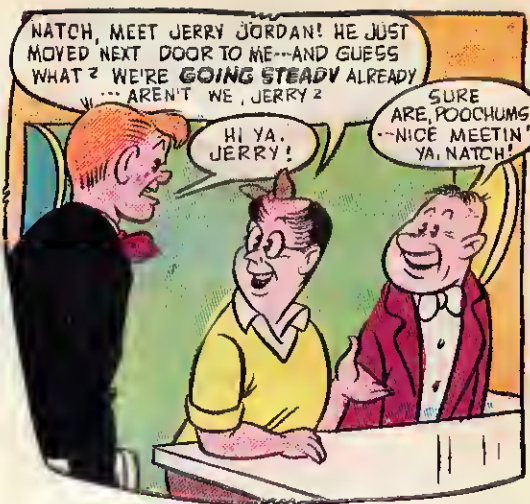
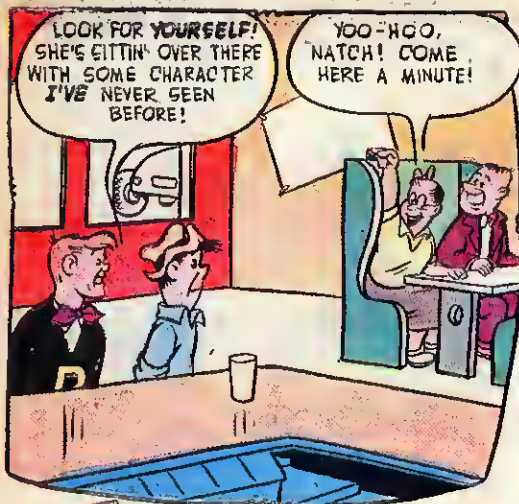


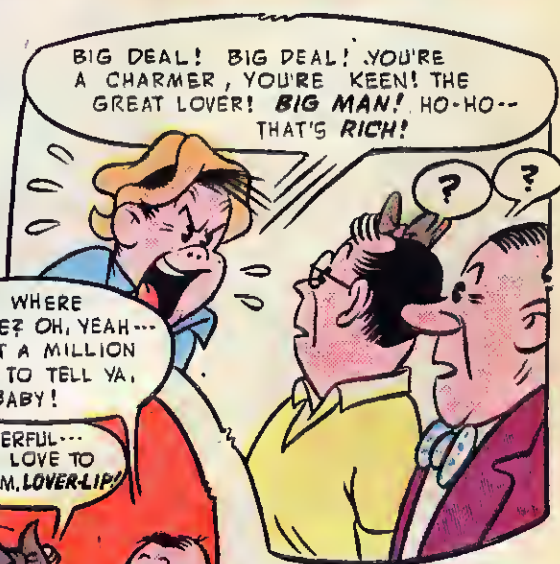
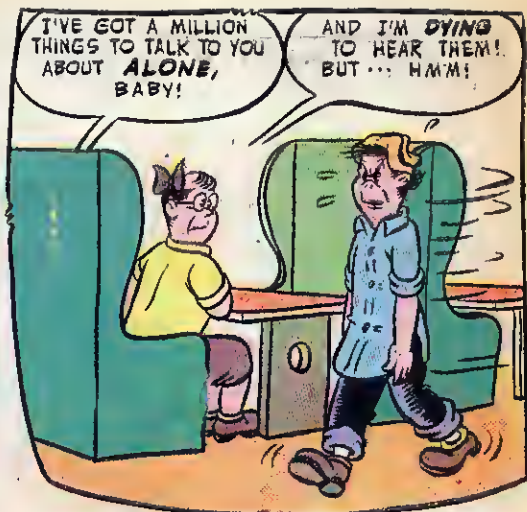
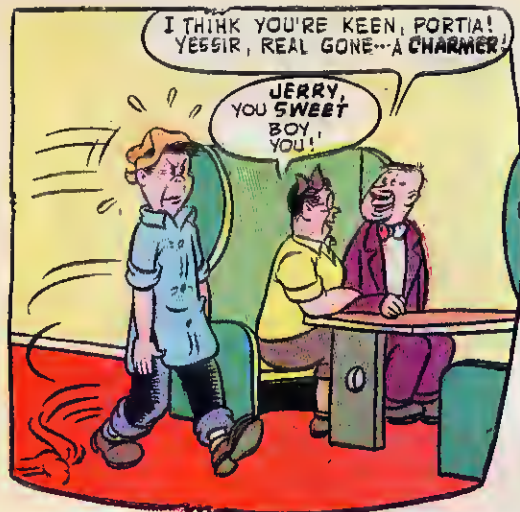
Solid Jackson

"IT'S A SMART CHUCK WHO KNOWS HIS OWN CHICK!"









COME, JERRY-KUMS, LEAVE US LEAVE!

I GUESS MAYBE YA DIDNT HEAR THAT PART ABOUT A KEEN CHICK WANTIN' TA CALL ME THAT NAME! DIDJA HEAR IT? ... THAT PART ABOUT THE SLICKCHICK, I MEAN? CALLIN' ME---

I HEARD IT --- LET HER!



I WANT MY GIRL BACK!



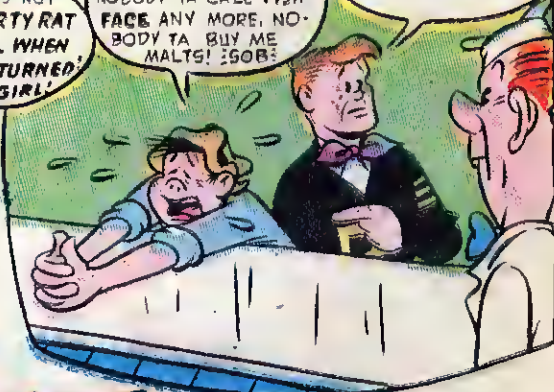
HOLY COW! ARE YOU KIDDIN', JACKSON? ABOUT 5 MINUTES AGO, YOU WANTED TO GET RID OF HER!



WELL, THAT'S HOT NOW! THAT DIRTY RAT STOLE MY GIRL WHEN MY BACK WAS TURNED! SHE WAS MY GIRL!

WO'D'LL I DO WITHOUT MY PORTIA-PIES NOBODY TA CALL FISH-FACE ANY MORE, NO-BODY TA BUY ME MALTS! GOB!

HOW ABOUT THIS, SLIM? THE POOR GUY'S REALLY SUFFERIN'!



LOOK, JACKSON! YOU CAN GET HER BACK IF YOU REALLY WANT TO, BUT YOU'LL HAVE TO SHOW HER YA REALLY CARE! YOU KNOW, BRING HER FLOWERS, TAKE HER ON DATES, AND ALL THAT JAZZ!

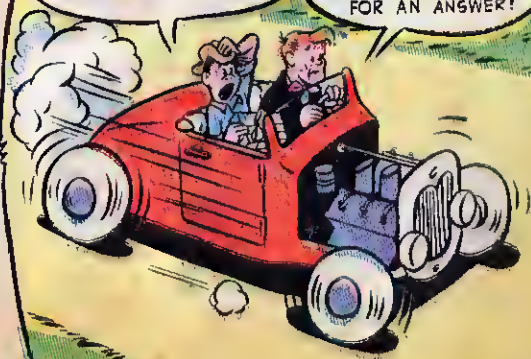
YEAH! YEAH, THAT'S IT! I CAN BEAT THAT OTHER SQUARE'S TIME ANY DAY! -- OKAY, LET'S GO!

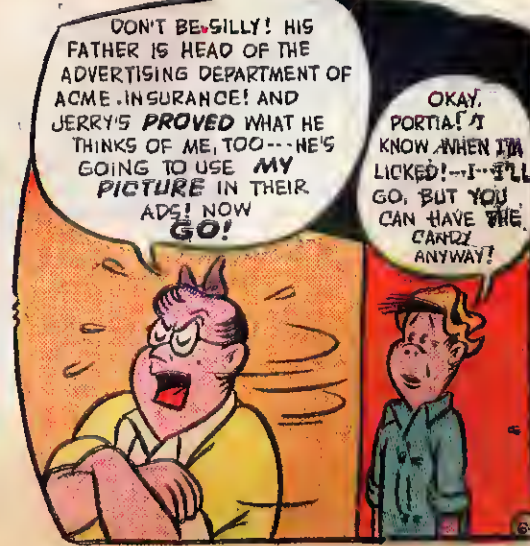
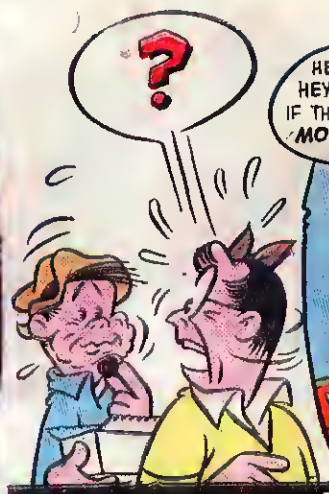
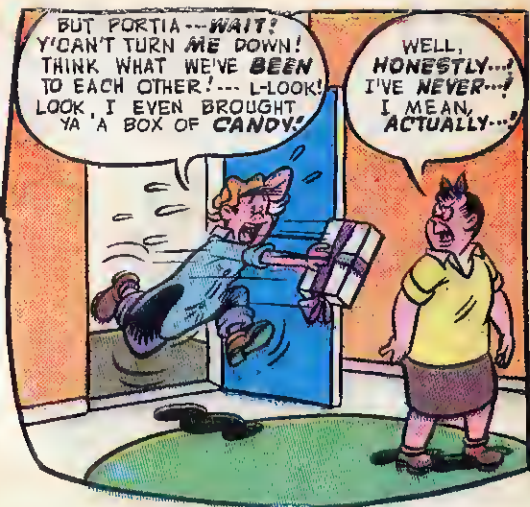
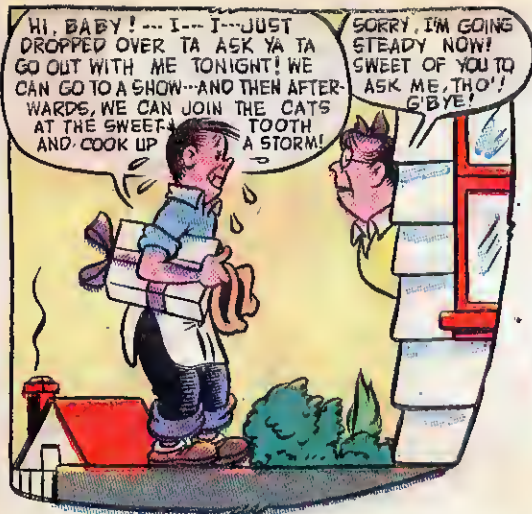


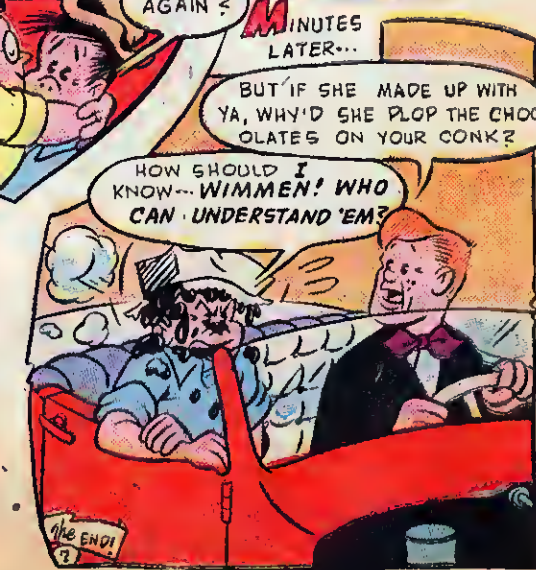
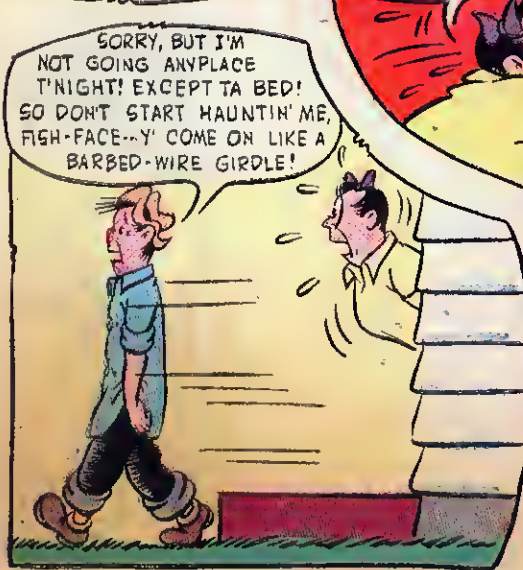
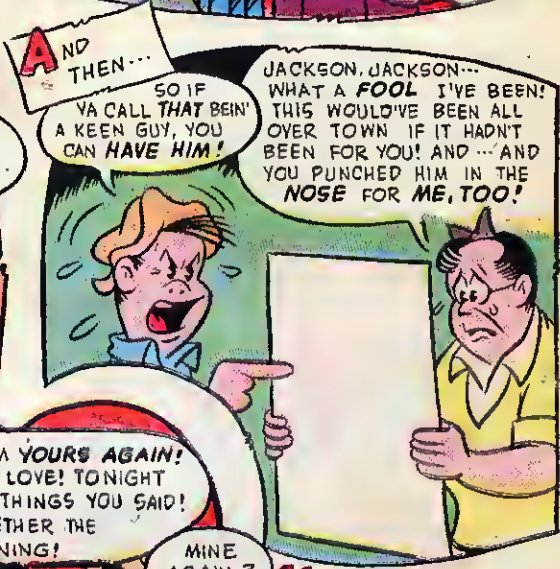
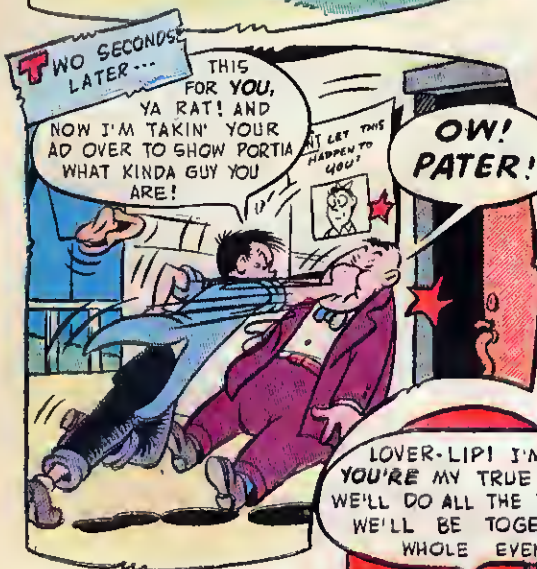
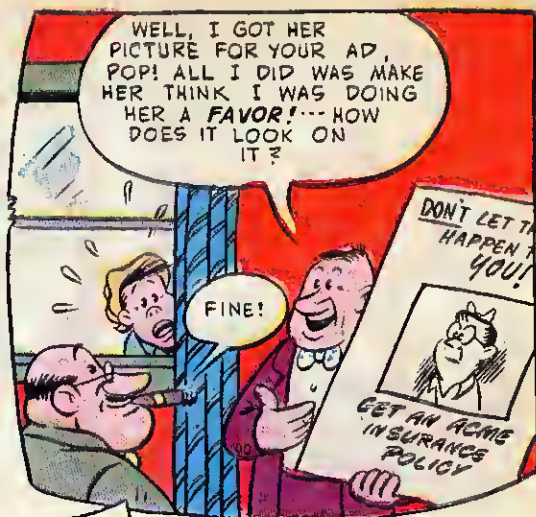
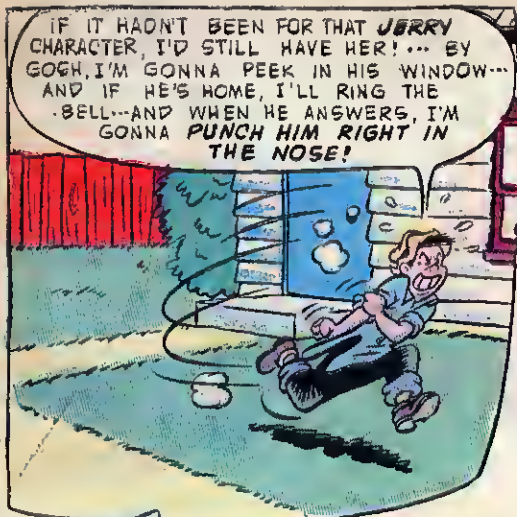
50... MINUTES LATER...

FASTER, NATCH ... FASTER! DON'T WANT THAT JOKER TO HAVE A LOTTA TIME TO GET IN SOLID!

REMEMBER, JUST ACT LIKE NOTHING'S COME BETWEEN YA... AND DON'T TAKE NO FOR AN ANSWER!







BLACKHEADS "PET HATE"

Say Men, Girls in Choosing Date

What a "black mark" is the blackhead . . . according to men and girls popular enough to be choosy about dates!

"Nobody's dreamboat!" "Nobody's date bait!" And that's not all that's said of those who are careless about blackheads. But blackheads ARE ugly! Blackheads ARE grimy! And they DON'T look good in close-ups!

So can you blame the fellow who says, "Sure, I meet lots of girls who look cute at first glance. But if, on that second glance, I see dingy blackheads, it's good night!"

Or can you blame the girl who confesses, "I hate to go out with a fellow who has blackheads. If he's careless about that you're sure he'll embarrass you in other ways, too!"

But you—are YOUR ears burning? Well, you've company and, sad to say, good company. There are lots of otherwise attractive fellows and girls who could date anyone they like if they'd only realize how offensive blackheads are . . . and how easily and quickly they could get rid of them . . . if they want to!

"He-Man" Often Guilty of Blackhead Crime

Take your "he-man" . . . super at track, games, sports of all kinds . . . who thinks that after just a shower he's ready to go anywhere! And won't the girls all admire his muscles!

Sure they would! But not many dance floors are set up for hurdle races! You can't show off your snappy left hook when only cokes are in the ring. The "he-man," who's also clean-cut, will get the breaks wherever he is.

Even Cute Girls Become Careless

Easy, too easy, for a girl to think that if she has the latest in clothes and hair-do she needn't bother about blackheads. A little more make-up, she guesses, will take care of that. BUT MAKE-UP WON'T HIDE BLACKHEADS! Not unless it's plaster of paris, maybe! And even good make-up "slips" at a dance! So don't take chances, cute though you may be!

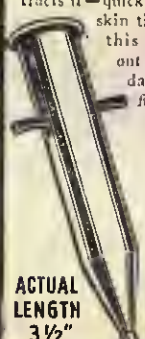


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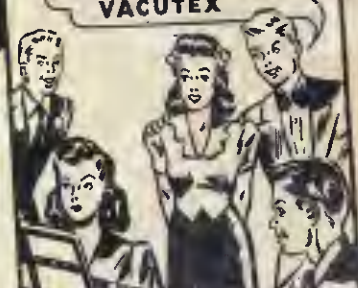
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Extract every blackhead as soon as you see it—with a SAFE extractor. Don't use finger nails. Don't squeeze. That may mean infection, injured tissues, a marred skin.

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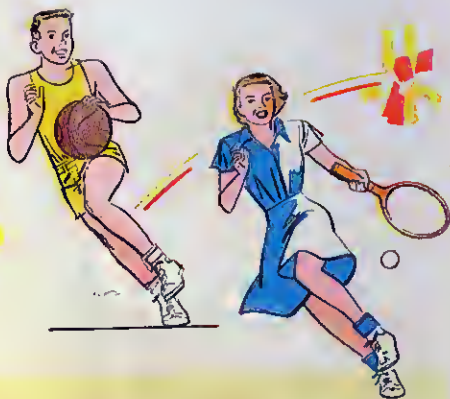
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